

Carmen J. Walters, Ph.D speaks at Women’s Day celebration

College Hill honors Malena W. Dow as Woman of the Year

By Jackie Hampton
Publisher

The women of College Hill lead the church service Sunday as they celebrated their 72nd Annual Women’s Day service beginning at 10 a.m. The theme for the occasion was “Christian Women Remain Steadfast, Unmovable, Abounding in the Work of the Lord.” The guest speaker for the occasion was Dr. Carmen J. Walters, president of Tougaloo College. The Women’s Day chair was Deaconess Debra McGee.

The tone was set as the Women’s Day choir marched down the aisle into the choir stand singing “I Just Want to Say Thanks.” There were smiles, claps and nods as the congregation stood and patted their feet to the beat of the music.

It was Women’s Day, and it seemed as though men were not allowed to sit in the pulpit. Pastor Chauncy L. Jordan Sr. and Rev. Calvin Peoples seemed quite content sitting on the front row of the right side pews. Women lead the service from



Dr. Carmen J. Walters speaking at College Hill’s Women’s Day Service PHOTOS BY JAY JOHNSON

beginning to end, with one exception, the invitation to discipleship. First Lady Lashanda Jordan presided over the service. The call to worship was extended by Jeraldine Watts, scripture read by Bobbie Lowe, opening prayer by Latasha

Clark, each normally led by clergy and deacons.

Prior to the message, a surprise presentation and tribute was presented by Women’s Day co-chair Shirley Davis. The Women’s Day Committee had selected Malena Winfrey Dow

as Woman of the Year. It was a total surprise to Dow. The church gave her a standing ovation as a sign of total agreement and appreciation.

Davis was emotional in de-

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Arson suspect arrested for setting 7 fires in West Jackson – also caught on camera breaking glass at College Hill Church

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Authorities have arrested a suspect in connection with seven fires that were set in West Jackson November 8. Each fire was set in close proximity to Jackson State University, two of which are predominately black churches.

Greater Bethlehem Temple Church, located at 1505 Robinson Road, was one of the churches set afire. The pastor is Rev. Robert Fortson.

Epiphany Lutheran Church located at 1230 Isiah Montgomery Street was destroyed. Rev. Raymond Gage is pastor of the 85-year old church. He was seen sitting outside the church with other members as fire fighters fought the blaze.

After a search that lasted several hours, the Hinds County Sheriff’s Office announced Tuesday afternoon that they had arrested 23 year old Devin McLaurin in connection with the arsons.

Just hours prior to setting the structures on fire, McLaurin was caught on surveillance video trying several times to kick in a glass door at College Hill Baptist Church. When unable to kick the door in, he was seen walking



Epiphany Lutheran Church seen burning PHOTOS BY CHRISTOPHER YOUNG



The blaze destroyed Epiphany Church on Nov. 8.

Veteran Spotlight – Marsey Randall

By Christopher Young
Contributing Writer

In honor of Veteran’s Day this year, *The Mississippi Link* shines its light on native Jacksonian, Boatswain’s Mate Second Class Petty Officer Marsey Randall, US Navy. Randall was born in Jackson, raised in Pearl, and came from a military family where five cousins and an uncle served in the Navy, and another uncle in the Army. At one point all eight were on active duty at the same time.

She went on to serve nearly sixteen years both active-duty and reserve time. Her story is inspiring and a pleasure to spotlight for our readers.

She was a member of the very first Reserve Officer Training Corp (ROTC) class at Pearl High School in 1986, then joined the Navy in 1990, and remained on active duty for four years. Her first duty station was in Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico, serving in the Signalman rating, which later merged with Quartermaster, and ultimately to Boatswain’s Mate.

Naval Station Roosevelt Roads closed in 2004, after a long history which was ultimately influenced by lethal incidents at the live firing range at Vieques Island, only 14 miles from “NAVSTA Rosey Roads” as it was referred to during Randall’s tenure.

She served as a deck seaman on tugboats escorting ships in



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and out of port, and ferrying passengers; including distinguished visitors (VIP’s). Runs back and forth to Vieques Island were common.

She then transferred to USNS Guadalupe (TAO 200), a West Coast underway replenishment oiler, and served out her enlistment there.

Seven years after her enlistment ended, she joined the Naval Reserves in October 2001, and was attached to Navy Operational Support Center (NOSC) Meridian and would often drill in Gulfport. Very interesting timing for sure. That was just a month after the September 11, 2001, attacks on the United States of America, where just under 3,000 died on American soil as a result.

Petty Officer Randall doesn’t fully attribute her choice to wear the military uniform once again to the attacks, “But I was at a time in my life where I wanted more

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At the expense of black people

By Christopher Young
Contributing Writer

Sometimes in life we are confronted with interesting questions. Many times, these questions become opportunities for growth and ultimately, for change. Why does it seem that whatever growth is made by many white people here in Mississippi, it so often has to come at the expense of black people.

Having good intentions is not a pass for bad behavior. Claiming that’s not what is in my heart, following an insensitive racial slur, is not absolution. In 2022, not being able to have awareness of racial insults and bias is evidence of ignorance. In 2022 you have to work hard to remain ignorant. It’s simplistic to have to say, but we don’t look down on, feel superior to, or offend people that we care about – people that we hold in positive regard.

Not only in the Deep South, but certainly with its sizzling history of racism and oppression, large swaths of white people still don’t view non-white people as human beings – worthy of respect. Do these white people know that it hurts people of other races, and especially black people? What do you think, do they?

This hurtful behavior applies across the spectrum, from micro-aggressions like gawking and artificial compliments, to racial slurs and stereotypes, to off-handed slights, semi-cloaked but that are quite visible.

“I’ve got to tell you; it is a great day to be in Hattiesburg. It’s also, as always, a great day to not be in Jackson,” spoken by the Governor of Mississippi September 16, 2022, per WAPT reporting. Despite claiming to govern for all Mississippians, it’s no mystery how he feels about black people who make up nearly 40% of the state and 84% of the population of Jackson.

Confederate Memorial Day is officially recognized in Mississippi, but not Black History Month. The thinking, the mindset that allows that to go on keeps Mississippi a bottom-dweller – last in most every ranking available. It seems like most of the state doesn’t really care though – so long as African Americans are kept from advancement. It must be acceptable to the vastly white conservative Christian population, otherwise they would see the harm continuing to be

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Women's Day Committee with pastor



Pastor presenting flower to Dow



Shirley Davis (L) announced Dow 'Wowan of theYear' and Dr. Mark Henderson (R) followed with tribute



Audience enjoying Women's Day choir



Pastor Chauncy Jordan and 1st Lady Dr. Lashanda Jordan



Tara Walker



Shirley Davis, co-chair



Tara Amos, bass guitar musician



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scribing how much Dow has done for College Hill. Being a long-time member, she said to Dow, “You have been a faithful servant to the church and words cannot describe how much we love you.”

A special tribute was given by JSU professor Dr. Mark Henderson, one of Dow’s former students while she taught at Jackson State University. In his tribute to Dow he recalled when he was one of her student’s he might say to her, “Mrs. Dow, I am hungry,” and she would say, “No, you are hungry.” I might say “I wasn’t in class because I had to go to the library and she would say, “No you had to go to the library.” He even recalled her home phone number from when he was a freshman. He said she gave it to him in case he ever needed to reach out to her.

In his tribute Henderson spoke directly to Dow saying, “Sometimes I wonder, as I wander through this life, what I could have been or would have been if there was no Malena Dow. If there had been no you, then there would be no me.”

After the tribute Dow thanked her former student and the church family for the honor of being chosen “Woman of the Year.” It was obvious that she was truly surprised and caught off guard. In fact, she said, “Had I known, I would have worn my high heels.”

Church member Leon Williams, who watched the service from home, said afterward, “We should choose her again when we have Men’s Day.”

Walters, fourteenth president of Tougaloo College, was introduced by Committee Chair Debra McGee. She described her as a Christian woman and a life evangelist that is an expert trainer in church administration, and trains church boards and executive leaders across the country to help them understand their role in ministry.

Walters had the women of College Hill to stand on their feet, shouting “Glory.” There were tears and laughter throughout her message. She dwelled on the fact that “God is Real” and we must not be too proud to acknowledge Him. Walters said she would not read a speech and if this is what was expected of her, then she apologized. She simply preached a sermon acknowledging that when the choir marched in she knew everyone was ready to have church.

During her message she sang, prayed and taught. She said, just like the theme, one must remain steadfast. Your mind must be saved and a saved mind is an optimistic mind that must be clear in order to remain steadfast.

At the close of the Women’s Day message, Pastor Jordan opened the doors of the church, where one, based on Christian Experience joined the College Hill family. In his remarks, he congratulated the Women’s Day Committee for a job well done. He thanked President Walters for an excellent message and choir and musicians for their participation.

Pastor Jordan congratulated Dow for been chosen as Woman of the Year.

He extended special thanks to Jan Taylor Ellis, guest choir director, and Sherry Milton and Ashli Sutton, guest musicians, for their participation in the 2022 College Hill 72nd Annual Women’s Day celebration.

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caused and would cease it. Ninety percent of U.S. Governors acknowledge Black History Month. Only four others; Idaho, the Dakotas, and Tennessee, share the same attitudes of superiority and indifference that the Governor of Mississippi does. Again, at the expense of black people.

Ask yourself which is worse – stealing \$74+ million in funds from the federal government intended to help the poorest Mississippians survive, or the mindset of blatant disregard for people in poverty that hatched the plan in the first place? Ask yourself if former Governor Bryant was the only one at the Capitol who knew about the theft? Mississippi receives tens of millions of dollars per year in Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) funding from the federal government, yet only approves the smallest percentage of cash assistance to poor families which are not all black, but predominantly so in our state. Again, at the expense of black people – children and families included.

Another example is surely the state flag here in Mississippi. There were legislative bills to change it away from the divisive stars and bars for decades, but those in power never let those bills out of committee. When Bobby Harrison wrote for State Legislatures Magazine July 13, 2020, he included a prior quote from Governor Reeves, “I have repeatedly warned my fellow Mississippians that any attempt to change the current Mississippi flag by a few politicians in the Capitol will be met with contempt.” Despite his degree in economics from Millsaps, he still had a lot to learn.

The day finally arrived in late June 2020 where the pressure was so intense – especially following the murder of George Floyd – pressure from the religious and business communities, public university administrators, students, student athletes, and through the voice of the SEC Commissioner Greg Sankey – delivering the message unambiguously to Mississippi – change the state flag or risk losing SEC championship games in Mississippi. Poof, like magic, a ma-

jority vote for a new state flag without the stars and bars. A major takeaway – when backed into a corner, Mississippi can at long last go without the stars and bars of the Confederacy more than it can go without championship sporting events. One hundred and twenty-five years of oppression living under that old flag, at the expense of black people.

Recently, a racial slur – granmammy – was spoken live on-air during coverage of College Game Day in Jackson on October 29, 2022. The word was used by long-time employee and anchor Barbie Bassett, a white woman – to her colleague at WLBT, journalist and African American Carmen Poe. Instantly Bassett’s colleagues on the set brought the inappropriateness of the word to her attention, even as Poe who was off-site at The Vet, soldiered on with her broadcast. Five days later, RaMonna Clay-Alexander, VP and General Manager of WBDB and Ted Fortenberry, Regional VP and General Manager of WLBT weighed in via on-air editorials about the incident.

Alexander acknowledged “much heated debate and conversation on social media and in general,” about what she felt personally and characterized “appalled, quite insulted and upset by the incident because of the negative connotations that it carries.” She then went on to talk about teachable moments, etc. Fortenberry acknowledged the “exchange last week on our station that was offensive and hurtful.” He stated, “It made us realize, if someone who has lived here all their life was ignorant of the offensive nature of those words used, we have a lot of work to do.” He stated that “with responsibility comes accountability.” He mentioned uniting, educational opportunity, and making a difference.

Neither of the managers mentioned the names of the people involved, nor the hostile work environment that exists, nor discipline for Bassett. Lofty words and trying to make nice is not accountability. This lack of accountability, once again, is at the expense of black people.



Malena W. Dow speaking after the surprise of being chosen Woman of the Year at College Hill.



Dr. Lashanda Jordan, presided over the Women's Day Service.



Debra McGee, Women's Day chair

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focus and I missed the comradery, being part of the team. I just wanted to be back in there.”

She was assigned to the Navy Expeditionary Logistics Support Group, first to the Navy Customs Battalion Romeo – The Rough Riders, and then to Battalion Tango – The Tiger Sharks, on extended deployment to the middle east. She spent the better part of three years (2006-2008) at Mohammed Al-Ahmad Kuwait Naval Base and U.S. Army Installation Camp Arifjan, Kuwait, which accommodates elements of Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force and Coast Guard, in addition to military personnel from the United Kingdom, Poland, Romania, Australia and Canada. Randall received pre-deployment training at Naval Base Norfolk in Norfolk, VA and at Fort Eustis, in Newport News, VA.

Randall and other Battalion staff were trained in the use of weapons, driving tactical vehicles, first aid, small unit tactics, hand-to-hand combat and the procedures and standards required of items and personnel re-entering the United States from overseas. That training earned her certification as a Customs Border Clearance Agent, with the authority to carry out customs inspection on equipment and personnel within United States Central Command area of responsibility. Randall was qualified on both the M16 rifle and 9MM pistol.

When not deployed, Randall continued her formal education and earned a bachelor’s degree in early childhood education and family planning in 2011 from Jackson State University. Even while she in the Reserves she continued educating young people. She began a twenty-year teaching career in California and completed it back in Mississippi. She also served as independent contractor assisting elderly people with transportation and health needs.

Around that time she began to think seriously about starting her own business. When the pandemic hit the idea to open a Rage Room made perfect sense because it was something that was really needed – so much frustration and anguish, so much need to vent. Rage Rooms are in hundreds of cities across the US now but had started in Japan around 2008. These are safe places where people of all ages can spend time destressing. Whether from unresolved anger, depression, anxiety, grief or trauma – or even just after a really crummy day. The Rage Room in Elton Place at 4611 Terry Road in Jackson offers an answer. You can learn more at www.rageroomjacksonmississippi.com, or call Marsey at 769-251-0020 to learn more.

When asked what it really means to her to be a veteran, she said, “Pride. There are a lot of people who couldn’t or who wouldn’t serve. I served. In some ways it’s like an exclusive club and you will end up with lifelong friends.”

I asked her what she would say now to a 19-year old version of herself about joining the military, and she replied, “I would tell her to take advantage of all the opportunities. Volunteer to go places others don’t want to go. Take the tough assignments. Take the lead, because time goes by fast.”

Happy Veteran’s Day to BM2 Marsey Randall, and to all our veterans. Thank you for your service. You are that less than 1% of our population who wear the military cloth of this Nation, and we never forget that.

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ATF police and with canines begin search for clues of possible arsonist Tuesday morning.



Greater Bethlehem Temple Church seen burning early Tuesday morning.



Alleged arson suspect McLaurin captured on surveillance camera at College Hill.

across the street picking up a brick and throwing it into the glass door.

Church secretary Denise Griffin-Whittington stated that the suspect never entered the church, possibly because the hole in the glass door too small for him to climb through without being cut-up. She said, “The damage he caused College Hill was just over \$2000 which is nothing when you consider the huge loss at Epiphany and damage at Greater Bethlehem Temple.”

Other locations where fires were reported to have been set include a fence on the JSU baseball field; a structure at Central and Dalton Streets; a house on Pascagoula Street; a gas station on Terry Road; and a structure at Terry Road and Cherry Streets.

New Horizon Church International presents Class of 2022/ 20th Anniversary, Community Service Awards



L-R Gwendolyn Bell, Brenda Hobson, Vickie & Kenny Lewis; Ben and Mae Edwards and Deborah Joseph, receiving award for Bishop Henry T. Joseph III

By Janice K. Neal-Vincent, Ph.D.
Contributing Writer

New Horizon Church International (1750 Ellis Avenue, Jackson) opened its doors to the community Saturday, November 5, 2022, for its 20th Community Service Awards Anniversary. The annual tradition acknowledges gratitude and appreciation to community members who are focused and give of themselves and their resources in benevolence to others.

Utilizing the plow which is

used to make straight rows, Jesus tells disciples in Luke 9:62: "No one, having put his [her] hand to the plow and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God." Thus, forging ahead with committed hearts is the goal in service to Him.

Prior to the 20th event, NCHI presented 158 awards. Within this total are 4 lifetime achievement awards.

Commemorating the lives of the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr, Medgar Wiley Evers and other martyrs of the

Civil Rights Movement who epitomized self-determination and community service, seven award recipients were acknowledged during the 20th event in the following fields: business, education, medical, ministry and lifetime achievement.

Kenny (Clinton native) and Vickie Lewis (Brandon native), recipients of the Business Award, are promoters of "a better tomorrow for their children - A'Kendra and Amias - and the people in their community." They are co-owners

and operators of (1) Lambs of God Christian Academy (nurturing 2000+ children for 16 years in a Christian learning environment; (2) Lewis Interpreting Services which ensures that the deaf/hard of hearing have opportunities to hear and understand in the classrooms, doctor's offices, churches and simple recreational activities; (3) The Lew Crew Mobil Print Shop which supplies the necessary paraphernalia to domestic and business organizations in the community; and (4) the newest project L.O.G. Community Development Center to reach, redirect and reconnect individuals who may need guidance by fostering purpose driven, Godly relationships leading them to the path of success. While Vickie is an ordained minister, Kenny is the Justice Court Judge elected by the citizens of District 4.

Gwendolyn Mayberry Bell (Jackson native) and author of the coloring/activity book, I Learn to Read, received the Education Award. Since 1990, she has been a committed employee at McLeod Elementary in Jackson Public Schools. Gwendolyn relies on the scriptural verse, Jeremiah 29:11, "For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the Lord, thoughts of peace, and not evil to give you an expected end." Her God-given passion for working with youth and teenagers prodded her to found a non-profit organization, RO-CAAT Ministries. Members of the Boys and Girls of Jackson and surrounding areas read their books during the months of June and July and, upon completion of the program, are given back-to-school supplies, bookbags and required school uniforms at no cost to the parents.

The Medical Award was presented to Brenda S. Hobson who is an advocate for health equity in African American communities, especially in the Flora area where she resides. She is a retired registered nurse with over 35 years of experience in nursing. Wife, mother, guardian, caregiver, mentor and Christian, Brenda has made Ephesians 2:10 her motto. It reads, "For we are His workmanship created in Christ Jesus unto good works which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them." As a worker, Brenda (1) co-hosts annual Health and Wellness screening events with the Head

Start Center in Flora; (2) holds an annual Rainbow Tea which raises money to buy gas cards for cancer patients and their families to help with transportation needs; and (3) for years has traveled throughout the 18 counties of the Mississippi Delta screening individuals for cardiovascular disease risk factors.

Raised in Los Angeles, Bishop Henry T. Joseph, III the Ministry Award recipient, was called to obedience in Christ in 1992. He has worked for Promise Keepers Men's Ministry as Mississippi PK's State facilitator and trainer. He and his wife Deborah founded Proclaim, a Christian publication based in Mississippi. Bishop Joseph was the first African American full time Missions Pastor in Mississippi and took his first mission trip to Africa in 1999. In 2003 he started ministering full time in Malawi, Africa as a missionary pastor and served as pastor of Capital City Baptist Church (CCBC) in Lilongwe, Malawi for seven years. During that time, he was one of approximately 500 full time African American missionaries in the world. Under his leadership at CCBC the membership grew from 200 to 1000 people. Currently, he serves as lead pastor for Zion Church International in Miss. and is the founder and executive director of Hayah Community Development, an international community empowerment organization based in South Africa.

Natives of Hazelhurst, Miss., Elder Ben and Mother Mae Edwards received the Lifetime Achievement Award. The Edwards have led compassionate lives, filled with laughter, love and hard work. With the help of God, they have relied on scriptures. While Mother Mae's favorite scripture is Psalm 103 ("Bless the Lord, O my soul, etc."), Elder Ben's is Ephesians 6 ("Children, obey your parents in the Lord, etc."). Mother Mae has taught school in Savannah, GA, Neu Ulm, Germany and Hazelhurst, Miss. She worked with the Chicago American Newspaper and as a tax preparer while in Germany. Elder Ben served in the U.S. Army 21 years and retired in 1980 as Sargent First Class (E7). He taught race relations to over 250 young men and received the Bronze Star for service in Vietnam. Elder Ben assists Bishop Ronnie Crudup, senior pastor of NHCI, feeds the con-



Vanessa Edmond and Justin Riley, hosts
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Lifetime Achievement Award recipients - Mother Mae & Elder Ben Edwards



Brenda Harris, keynote speaker

gregation, trains deacons and participates with Mother Mae in the prayer ministry. They are block and assistant block captains in their neighborhood where they became the first African Americans.

The evening's guest speaker was Mary Harris, retired registered nurse with experience in hospital and clinical nursing supervision and management. A member of Women for Progress, Metro Jackson Master Gardeners and NHCI Health Ministry (under Mississippi Department of Health), Mary emphasized to awardees, families and friends that despite "hard bumps," God gave them dreams, and it's up to them to fulfill those dreams. "Whatever you're doing, you are to do it to the glory of God, and God will provide for you. Know that you are serving God. [You're not working to the glory of your employer or other people]," Harris said.

Vanessa Edmond and Justin Riley of NHCI served as hosts. Committee members included Geneva James, chair; Vanessa Edmond, co-chair; Mary Harris; Patricia Hickman; Abrilla Pickens; Justin Riley; Keith Riley; Lauren Sinclair and Joann White.

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MAC announces recipients for the Building Fund for the Arts

The Mississippi Link Newswire

The Mississippi Arts Commission is pleased to announce the recipients of the Building Fund for the Arts (BFA) grant. This funding opportunity supports the much-needed repair, renovation, expansion or construction of Mississippi facilities that serve as sites for year-round arts programming in their communities. The Mississippi Legislature approved \$3 million for the BFA program for FY2023.

“We received 66 letters of intent with a total amount of \$16.2 million requested for this grant opportunity,” said Marie Sanderson, board chair of MAC. “Unfortunately, we could not award to everyone who applied. We are pleased that we can support these arts organizations in Mississippi for important projects that will impact their communities economically.”

MAC received a total of 46 applications for a total of \$10.9 million requested for projects. MAC has awarded a total amount of \$2.8 million to 16 arts organizations in 13 counties in Mississippi for the BFA grant.

MAC has awarded the following arts organizations funding through the BFA grant:

- The Eudora Welty Foundation, Inc. (Hinds) – awarded \$225,000 to construct an Education Center.
- Walter Anderson Museum of Art (Jackson) – awarded \$450,000 to expand the muse-

um’s campus.

- Byhalia Area Arts Council (Marshall) – awarded \$243,114.30 to renovate and repair the old Byhalia High School building.
- Corinth Area Arts Council, Inc. (Alcorn) – awarded \$243,000 to renovate the Coliseum Theatre.
- Center Stage, Inc. (Harrison) – awarded \$104,749.20 to make accessibility improvements in the theatre lobby and restrooms.
- Delta Arts Alliance (Bolivar) – awarded \$197,702.40 to complete renovation of the Ellis Theater.
- Lauren Rogers Museum of Art (Jones) – awarded \$52,800 to repair the exterior of the facility.
- Mississippi Museum of Art (Hinds) – awarded \$184,800 to conduct both interior and exterior renovations.
- Pike School of Art (Pike) – awarded \$260,145.60 to convert the former jail into an Arts Center.
- Mississippi Cultural Crossroads (Claiborne) – awarded \$31,680 to repair the front windows and awning.
- City of Vicksburg (Warren) – awarded \$214,730.56 to repair the Constitution Firehouse in Downtown Vicksburg.
- Mississippi Children’s Museum (Hinds) – awarded \$179,520 to renovate the Literacy Garden and the Wild About Reading Gallery.
- Starkville Community Theatre (Oktibbeha) – award-

ed \$22,000 to renovate the Starkville Playhouse auditorium.

- City of Hattiesburg (Forest) – awarded \$219,240 to renovate the Paper Warehouse Theatre.
- B.B. King Museum and Delta Interpretive Center (Sunflower) – awarded \$43,272.06 to make repairs to the historic cotton gin building.
- Cleveland Music Foundation DBA Grammy Museum Mississippi (Bolivar) – awarded \$131,442.21 to expand the gallery exhibition space.

A panelist of four experts within the art and economic community ranked the submissions based on artistic quality, project plan, project professionals, organizational capacity and project impact.

The BFA program is an important part of enhancing and supporting the creative economy in Mississippi, strengthening organizational capacity, and providing opportunities for citizens to learn from and engage with Mississippi’s unique arts and cultural opportunities.

“We see a great need for this type of financial support within our art community,” said Marie Sanderson. “We are hopeful that the Mississippi legislature will support more funding for the Building Fund for the Arts in the future.”

For more information about the BFA grant and other grant opportunities through the Mississippi Arts Commission, visit arts.ms.gov.

Mississippi capital to receive \$35.6m in federal water funds

By Michael Goldberg
Associated Press/Report for America

Mississippi officials on Friday approved the city of Jackson’s request for \$35.6 million in federal funds to help fix its crumbling water infrastructure, following this summer’s flooding-induced breakdowns that left 150,000 people without running water for days.

The Mississippi Municipality and County Water Infrastructure Grant Program approved the full amount the state’s capital city requested to pay for seven water and sewer projects.

State lawmakers created the program in 2022 to provide grants matching the federal government’s aid for cities and counties financed through the American Rescue Plan Act. The dollar-for-dollar match means Jackson will have \$71.3 million to upgrade its water system.

Congress passed the sweeping American Rescue Plan Act to tame the public health and economic crises caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Jackson Mayor Chokwe Antar Lumumba said the funds would help provide reliable drinking water to a city that has periodically lost access to such a basic necessity.

“We are grateful for the assistance and will continue to explore all potential funding

avenues to achieve this end,” Lumumba said.

Over \$400 million in match funds will be awarded for the entire state in two rounds. Applications for the \$180 million first round closed Sept. 30. About 430 cities and counties in Mississippi applied for funding. The second round of funds will be awarded sometime in the spring. Jackson-area legislative leaders plan to press for money during the 2022 legislative session, which begins in January.

“I was told by the executive director that one of the city’s drinking water projects scored higher than any other application in this first round,” said Democratic Sen. John Horhn of Jackson. “We are looking for the state to do more once the regular session begins in January.”

A lingering boil water notice preceded the late summer crisis after testing revealed the tap water was unsafe.

Among seven water and sewer system upgrades, the funds will be used to help replace a raw water pump at the beleaguered O.B. Curtis water treatment plant, which fell into crisis in late August after torrential rain fell in central Mississippi. The deluge altered the raw water quality entering Jackson’s treatment plants. That slowed the

treatment process, depleted supplies in water tanks and caused a precipitous drop in pressure.

Understaffing at its water treatment plants, a shrinking tax base and political disputes between city and state officials have also contributed to the city’s water woes.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency said Monday that the water in Jackson is safe to drink based on samples it collected over the past several months. But the agency is still waiting on another round of test results to determine whether Jackson has too much lead and copper in its water. The results are expected in mid-November.

On Oct. 20, the EPA said it was investigating whether Mississippi state agencies have discriminated against Jackson by refusing to fund water system improvements in the city, where more than 80% of residents are black and about a quarter of the population lives in poverty.

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United Way appoints Nikki McCelleis president and chief executive officer

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Nikki K. McCelleis was appointed as the permanent president and chief executive officer of United Way. An experienced leader and consummate professional, McCelleis succeeded Ira Murray, effective September 1, 2022.

McCelleis has worked for United Way for 6 years and served in a myriad of capacities that have prepared her to lead the 6-member organization. Under her leadership as director of Alignment Jackson, McCelleis made improvements that led to academic support program for high school students that led to an increase in the literacy achievements and matriculation rates among high school students. As vice president of the Community Impact Initiative, she steered the successful organization of the Young Professional Leaders. McCelleis also served as director of Educational Initiatives and Chief Impact and Strategy officer where she was most strategic in organizing and engaging the key constituencies of Hinds, Madison and Rankin counties in their key areas of interest parallel to the initiatives of the United Way.

“We are excited to appoint Nikki McCelleis as our permanent President and Chief Executive Officer for United Way,” said Dr. Ivey Allen, chair of the Board for United Way of the



McCelleis

Capital Area. “Nikki’s tenured work with us coupled with her extensive background in community organizing should help us strengthen and advance our partnerships while further developing our strategic initiatives.”

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“Ms. McCelleis brings to United Way a unique blend and mastery of experiences as a former teacher, a grant developer and director of several non-profit organizations,” said Gus McCoy, senior UWCA board member and employee of the Centene Corporation. “We value these relationships as they intersect with our key program interests in education, health and financial stability for the families and communities of Hinds, Madison and Rankin counties,” added McCoy.

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Midterms full of firsts for female, black, LGBTQ candidates

By Adriana Gomez Licon
Associated Press

A Massachusetts Democrat is the country’s first openly lesbian candidate to be elected to the office of governor. In Maryland, voters elected the state’s first black governor. Vermont will finally send a woman to Congress, after being the only state never to have had female representation in the House.

Across the country, women, LGBTQ and black candidates broke barriers Tuesday as part of a new generation of politicians elected to governor’s offices and seats in Congress.

The number of women serving as governors will hit double digits for the first time in 2023, with at least 12 women set to lead states. Ten had already won their races; two other races had not been decided but featured women candidates in both parties.

The U.S. has never had more than nine female governors in office at a time, a record set in 2004, according to the Center for American Women and Politics. The new record numbers mean nearly one fourth of the country’s states will be run by women. The party majority for female governors is still not clear.

One of the winners, Maura Healey, is the first woman to be elected to Massachusetts’ top post and also makes history by becoming the country’s first openly lesbian candidate to be elected governor.

“Tonight I want to say something to every little girl and every young LGBTQ person out there,” Healey said to supporters at a downtown Boston hotel after her victory Tuesday night. “I hope tonight shows you that you can be whatever, whoever you want to be and nothing and no one can ever get in your way except your own imagination and that’s not going to happen.”

If Democrat Tina Kotek wins Oregon’s gubernatorial race, where The Associated Press has not declared a winner, she may join Healey in making history as a lesbian candidate elected governor.

In Maryland, voters chose Democrat Wes Moore, who will be the state’s first black governor. He is only the third black



Healey

candidate in the country to be elected governor.

Moore, a combat veteran, led one of the nation’s largest anti-poverty organizations and campaigned on creating equal opportunity for his state residents. He flips a governor’s office from Republican to Democratic. The current Republican Gov. Larry Hogan is term limited.

Florida, meanwhile, is sending the first member of Gen Z to Congress, with the comfortable victory of Democrat Maxwell Frost, a 25-year-old black man with Cuban heritage.

Frost said that Gen Zers, those born from 1997 to 2012, are voting at higher levels, even though roughly half of the generation isn’t yet old enough. In an Associated Press interview, he praised President Biden’s focus on climate change and student debt cancellation.

Frost campaigned on gun control and Medicare for all and secured high-profile endorsements from progressive U.S. Sens. Bernie Sanders and Elizabeth Warren. The seat had been left open when Val Demings decided to run for Senate, but Florida’s 10th District, which includes the Orlando area, is reliably Democratic.

“I’m just excited to work in Congress and advocate for these broad universal programs and things that will really, Number 1, help peoples’ day-to-day life, but also, Number 2, from a political standpoint, these things excite people because it shows folks that government can work,” he told The Associated Press.

Also marking a first, Vermont, which elected its first female governor in the 1980s, had been the only state that had never sent a woman to Congress. Democrat Becca Balint, president of the Vermont Senate, will reach that milestone and also become the first openly gay person to fill the state’s single seat in the U.S. House.

Details on some other notable firsts:

Arkansas’ 1st female governor

Sarah Huckabee Sanders will become the first woman governor of Arkansas. Sanders, a Republican, rose to prominence when she served as White House press secretary for former President Donald Trump between 2017 and 2019. Her victory also makes her the first daughter of a former governor to fill the position held by her father. Mike Huckabee was governor of Arkansas from 1996 to 2007.

Sanders faced Democrat Chris Jones, a nuclear engineer who would have become Arkansas’ first black governor and who acknowledged the importance of Sanders’ milestone.

“History was made. Sarah’s election has shown women, including my little girls, that being a woman is no longer a barrier to becoming governor in our state,” Jones said in a statement.

Pennsylvania elects its first black congresswoman

Democratic state representative Summer Lee’s victory in the state’s 12th District makes her Pennsylvania’s first black congresswoman. The Pittsburgh-based House seat was open after

Mike Doyle announced his retirement.

Illinois’ 1st Latina congresswoman

Delia Ramirez, a Democrat, defeated Republican Justin Burau to represent Illinois’ 3rd District, in Chicago. Ramirez, 39, was the first Guatemalan American to serve in the Illinois General Assembly.

1st trans man elected to a state legislature; other transgender lawmakers

Democrat James Roesener was elected as a state representative to New Hampshire’s 400-member House, becoming the first trans man elected to a state legislature, according to the LGBTQ Victory Fund.

Roesener, 26, said he wanted to run after a “parental rights” bill was introduced in the House that would have required schools to notify parents of children developments, including with their gender identity and expression.

The bill didn’t pass, but it was by a slim margin. “I don’t really see that as a fight that’s over,” he said.

In Minnesota, Leigh Finke became the first openly transgender person elected to the state’s Legislature. She told the AP Wednesday that she decided to run after seeing growing anti-transgender sentiment across the country, saying, “We have to have trans people in these rooms. If we are going to lose our rights, at least they have to look us in the eye when they do it.”

Minnesota’s Legislature was divided at the time and she felt like she might be entering a “pressure cooker” – but after Democrats took control Tuesday, she now sees opportunity to pass laws to help the LGBTQ community.

Voters in western Montana elected the state’s first out transgender lawmaker, Zooey Zephyr, and SJ Howell, the first out nonbinary candidate to the state legislature, according to the LGBTQ Victory Fund. Both are Democrats and were elected in state House districts in Missoula County.

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MS November 2022 general election results as of early Nov. 9

U.S. HOUSE DISTRICT 1 - MISSISSIPPI		
Candidate	Votes	Percent
TRENT KELLY / Republican ✓	114,301	73.65%
DIANNE BLACK / Democrat	43,472	27.55%

U.S. HOUSE DISTRICT 2 - MISSISSIPPI		
Candidate	Votes	Percent
BENJIE THOMPSON / Democrat ✓	92,284	58.13%
BRIAN FLOWERS / Republican	66,462	41.87%

U.S. HOUSE DISTRICT 3 - MISSISSIPPI		
Candidate	Votes	Percent
MICHAEL GUEST / Republican ✓	124,711	71.82%
SHUNASCO YOUNG / Democrat	50,899	28.98%

U.S. HOUSE DISTRICT 4 - MISSISSIPPI		
Candidate	Votes	Percent
MIKE EZELL / Republican ✓	122,126	74.89%
JOHANNY DUPREE / Democrat	39,292	23.94%
ALDEN JOHNSON / Libertarian	3,416	2.07%

APPEALS JUDGE DISTRICT 4 SEAT 1		
Candidate	Votes	Percent
VIRGINIA CARLTON	17,356	97.89%
BRUCE BURTON	12,625	42.11%

CHANCERY COURT JUDGE DISTRICT 5 SEAT 3		
Candidate	Votes	Percent
TAMETRICE HODGES	2,149	36.63%
GAYLA CARPENTER-SANDERS	1,946	33.17%
DAMON STEVENSON	1,771	38.19%

CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE DISTRICT 7 SEAT 1		
Candidate	Votes	Percent
ADRIENNE WOOTEN	5,476	71.23%
DAVID LINZEY	2,212	28.77%

CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE DISTRICT 7 SEAT 2		
Candidate	Votes	Percent
DEBRA GIBBS	3,383	43.86%
WENDY WILSON-WHITE	2,140	27.82%
TRENT WALKER	1,390	17.94%
BRYANT GUY	825	10.78%

No red wave but Election Night results could still leave Democrats feeling blue

By Stacy M. Brown
NNPA Newswire Correspondent

As Election Night turned slowly into Wednesday morning, the U.S. House and Senate balance of power remained a tossup after tens of millions of votes were counted nationwide.

And while crucial races like the Georgia Senate race between Republican Herschel Walker and Democratic Incumbent Sen. Raphael Warnock remained too close to call, the red wave many political watchers and several mainstream media outlets predicted hadn’t developed.

In the House, where power is likely to change hands, one Democrat, Virginia Rep. Elaine Luria, lost her seat. However, Ohio GOP Rep. Steve Chabot also lost his House seat. Some House seats that most predicted as easy Republican prey like Democratic Reps. Abigail Spanberger of Virginia, and Chris Papas in New Hampshire, were retained.

On Wednesday morning, Republicans were assured of 207 House seats to 188 for Democrats. A party needs 218 seats to control the chamber.

With Democratic Lt. Gov. John Fetterman defeating Republican Mehmet Oz for the Pennsylvania Senate seat,



Democrats currently hold a 48-47 seat advantage in their efforts to retain control.

As it’s been the past two years, Democrats need 50 seats to control that chamber because Vice President Kamala Harris acts as the tiebreaker.

However, the race to represent Georgia in the Senate remains surprisingly close. Warnock awakened Wednesday in a statistical dead heat with Walker, each at 49% of the vote with 96% of precincts counted.

Approximately 18,000 votes separate the candidates. If neither candidate wins 50% of the vote, they will square off on Dec. 6 in a runoff.

The Wisconsin Senate race between Republican Incumbent Ron Johnson and Democrat Mandela Barnes, a black man, was too close to call. Johnson held

a slight advantage Wednesday morning with about 32,000 more votes or 50.6% to 49.4%. However, most of the remaining ballots are GOP strongholds.

Meanwhile, Senate races in Arizona and Nevada will determine the Senate majority, and both outcomes aren’t expected for several days. Senator Mark Kelly, a Democrat, held a 52% to 45.8% lead over Blake Masters, a Republican, Wednesday morning with 66% of the votes counted.

Republican Adam Laxalt holds a 49.9% to 47.2% lead over Democratic Incumbent Catherine Cortez Masto in the Nevada Senate race.

Wes Moore counted among the 21 Democrats to win gubernatorial elections, making history as the first African American to win election to governor in Maryland. Stacey Abrams conceded the Georgia governor’s race to incumbent Republican Brian Kemp in a rematch of their controversial and bitter 2018 contest.

“Tonight, I am doing clearly what is the responsible thing. I am suspending my campaign for governor,” Abrams said following her loss. “I may no longer be seeking the office of governor, but I will never stop doing everything

in my power to make sure the people in Georgia have a voice.

“While I may not have crossed the finish line, that doesn’t mean I won’t stop running for a better Georgia,” she added. “Even though my fight – our fight – for the governor’s mansion came up short, I’m pretty tall.”

Two of the nation’s most controversial governors, Greg Abbot (R-Texas), and Ron DeSantis (R-Florida), easily won re-election. Abbot defeated Beto O’Rourke, while DeSantis beat Charlie Crist.

Democratic Rep. Val Demings lost her bid for the U.S. Senate against GOP Incumbent Marco Rubio.

However, Florida voters made history by electing Maxwell Frost in the race to represent Florida’s 10th Congressional District.

The 25-year-old Afro-Cuban becomes the first member of Generation Z elected to serve in the U.S. House. “History was made tonight,” Frost tweeted. “We made history for Floridians, Gen Z, and everyone who believes we deserve a better future.”

In Pennsylvania, Austin Davis, a 32-year-old state lawyer, became the first African American elected to lieu-

tenant governor in the Keystone State. It’s the highest position any African American has held in Pennsylvania.

“I am deeply mindful that this is my opportunity, but it’s not an opportunity I paid for,” Davis said. “It was paid by the sweat equity and work of people who came before me. It is my responsibility to view it as while I may be the first, I’m not the last and that I blaze a trail for other minority candidates to follow in my footsteps.”

Also, Summer Lee won the race in the 12th Congressional district, becoming the first African American woman elected to Congress from Pennsylvania.

In Los Angeles, former Congressional Black Caucus Chair Karen Bass remains hopeful in her quest for mayor. At press time, Bass trailed billionaire developer Rick Caruso by less than 1,500 votes – a 50.19% to 49.81% margin. Bass hopes to become the first black woman to hold that job.

Voters in California, Michigan, and Vermont codified abortion rights in those states. A ballot measure to do the same in Kentucky proved too close to call as of Wednesday morning.

Eating disorders affect seniors too

By Vince Faust
Tips to Be Fit

Do you have a good relationship with your food? You don't have to be young to have an eating disorder. Until recently eating disorders have been associated with adolescent girls, who don't eat enough or eat far too much. The landscape of these disorders is changing.

More women and men in their 40s 50s and 60s and beyond are struggling with these sometimes life-threatening conditions. 11,000,000 Americans struggle with eating disorders such as anorexia nervosa, bulimia nervosa and binge eating disorder. In the last few years, there has been a substantial increase in the number of women over 30, who have sought treatment for an eating disorder.

Scientists don't know what causes an eating disorder. Research studies show that genetics play a role in eating disorders. If you have a close relative, such as a parent or sibling with an eating disorder you are at greater risk. If you also have a predisposition to psychological and emotional triggers, eating disorder may result.

Eating disorders can be divided into the following categories:

Anorexia nervosa is characterized by low weight typically less than 85% of normal weight for a person's age and height. They can also fear weight gain, have a denial of illness and distorted body image. A distorted body image is thinking you are overweight when you're



not. Anorexia nervosa can lead to a number of complications such as hair loss, osteoporosis, electrolyte imbalance, cardiac problems and organ failure.

Bulimia nervosa occurs in people at all weights and is marked by binge eating, uncontrolled consumption of unusual large amounts of food, accompanied by purging. They want to undo the binge eating by vomiting. They also use the unnecessary use of laxatives or extra excess exercise. Bulimia can cause the same health consequences as Anorexia nervosa.

Binges eating disorder are

common. BED is similar to Bulimia, but without the purging. BED is different from simple over eating. The sufferers feel a loss of control over what they eat. The condition can lead to obesity. BED can also cause insomnia and body aches.

Adults face a number of situations that can trigger an eating disorder:

Hormonal changes – Most women are unprepared for the hormonal changes with menopause. They are unprepared for psychological or physiological changes of aging, hormonal changes, redistribution of fat from other parts of the body

to their body. These issues can result in extreme weight loss strategies. These changes can lead to mood swings and sleep disturbances that often trigger cravings and increase appetite setting the stage for binge eating. In men decreasing testosterone and age-related changes in their bodies can trigger eating disorders.

Divorce – Following a break up or a divorce, women may see a new man and want to appear as physically attractive as possible. This can prompt women to take extreme measures to lose weight. If a man's wife initiates a divorce, he can

feel lost and abandon and turn to food for comfort.

Empty nester syndrome – When children leave home a mother who has taken care of them can experience a sense of loneliness, uselessness and boredom. Empty nester syndrome can set up that mother for binge eating. This is often seen as an attempt to find a sense of fullness.

Depression – Women and men often contend with the death of friends and other life events that can trigger depression. A reduced appetite is a common symptom of depression and can lead to anorexia.

Over doing fitness – Anorexia can develop in people who are overly concerned with diet and fitness. These people become obsessed. Their good intentions can quickly cross the line from helpful to obsessive.

One of the challenges of treating an older adult, unlike a teenager, a 60-year-old cannot be forced in to treatment.

If you experience body image distortion, have an inability to control binge eating or you are overweight you should realize that it may not be just a passing phase.

In some cases of anorexia inpatient treatment is often necessary. Your brain is unable to function properly because of malnutrition. Your decision-making is almost always impaired. In some cases your brain can shrink. 10% of the patients with anorexia die from medical complications of starvation, heart failure and suicide.

Insurance companies often

cover inpatient treatment for anorexia but deny coverage for inpatient treatment for bulimia and BED. You need to find the right professional. The most effective treatment includes a therapist, a psychiatrist or a psychologist, a social worker or other experienced health professionals with a background in treating eating disorders.

To find a practitioner in your area consult the National Eating Disorder Association (nationaleatingdisorders.org) or the Binge Eating Disorder Association (www.bedonline.com). A registered dietitian should be consulted to offer advice on proper nutrition and helpful eating habits. Make sure that your mental and physical issues are discussed with your primary care physician. This is important to ensure that your doctor takes the patient's eating disorder into account when offering medical advice.

If you suspect that a love one may have an eating disorder, have a conversation that begins with a loving message such as "I care about you." "I care about your health." "I worry about how much you seem to be struggling with your eating." Try to get your love one to at least get an evaluation by a dietitian, psychologist or a psychiatrist. They can give you options. You want to point out that it is always better to have information and expert's opinions on any health issue and not make a decision in a vacuum.

Before starting your fitness program, consult your physician.

Midlife and your blood pressure

By Vince Faust
Tips to Be Fit

According to recent studies blood pressure changes in midlife can affect your lifetime risk for heart disease and stroke. This study added existing knowledge of blood pressure. Hypertension is the most important modifiable health risk factor for cardiovascular disease. This includes coronary heart disease and stroke. Most people don't take this silent killer serious, because they usually don't see or feel the effects of the hypertension, until something catastrophic occurs. There are 78 million Americans with hypertension and 70 million are prehypertension (higher-than-healthy blood pressure levels).

Blood must be carried from your heart to all parts of your body though your arteries. Your blood pressure is the force of the blood pushing against the walls of the arteries. Each time your heart beats, which is about 60-70 times a minute at rest, it pumps out blood into your arteries. Your blood pressure is at its highest when your heart beats, pumping the blood. This is called systolic pressure. When your heart is at rest, between beats, your blood pressure falls. This is the diastolic pressure.

U.S. researchers analyze data from over 62,000 people whose blood pressure readings were tracked for an average of 14 years. People who kept or lowered their blood pressure to normal levels by age 55 had



the lowest lifetime risk for high blood pressure had a 22% to 41% for heart disease. People who had high blood pressure at 55 had a 42 to 69% lifetime risk for high blood pressure.

Women generally have higher increases for blood pressure in middle age than men. Women who had high blood pressure by early middle age have a higher

lifetime risk for heart disease. Nearly 70% of the men who develop high blood pressure in middle age will experience a cardiovascular event, such as a stroke or heart attack by age 85.

Your blood pressure changes during the day. Your blood pressure is lowest as you sleep and rises when you get up. It also can rise when you are excited, nervous or active.

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Your blood pressure should stay the same when you are sitting or standing still. A normal level should be lower than 120/80. When your level stays higher then, 135/90, you have high blood pressure.

Regular blood pressure check-ups are important because many hypertensive people

do not experience symptoms. Others may experience symptoms such as headache, nervousness, insomnia, nosebleeds, blurred vision, edema and shortness of breath.

Heredity, obesity, physical or emotional stress, high salt intake, cigarette smoking and excessive use of stimulants such as coffee, tea or drugs can all be contributing factors to high blood pressure.

Lifestyle changes include a modified diet, weight control, exercise, smoking cessation, stress management and a decrease in sodium intake.

The body only requires 200 mg of sodium (1/10 teaspoon of salt) daily to function properly. The typical American diet ranges between 6,000 and 20,000 mg daily. Sodium intake should range between 500-1500 mg daily.

Excessive amounts of sodium in the diet increase water retention, which in turn increases blood pressure. It has been shown that increases in potassium help to regulate hypertension however; increasing potassium intake will do very little if your sodium intake is high.

If you have high blood pressure and are using medication it is extremely important to follow your doctors orders concerning diet and activity. Medication along with lifestyle changes can help improve blood pressure permanently if you follow your doctor's instructions.

The link between hypertension and obesity has been well established. Blood capillaries

are constricted by fat tissue, which causes the heart to work harder to pump blood. Blood pressure returns to normal in many obese people when they lose weight.

Smoking increases blood pressure by limiting the amount of oxygen rich blood circulated throughout the cardiovascular system. The demand for oxygen by the heart causes it to work harder to get the oxygen it requires. Oxygen rich blood is required to provide vital organs with nutrients needed for the body to function properly. Smoking combined with other risks factors for hypertension will increase the chance of developing heart disease or stroke. Each year many people who smoke die as a result of high blood pressure, which eventually caused a fatal stroke or heart disease.

Stress is an important factor to be considered if you have high blood pressure. People who continually drive themselves and find it hard to relax, who don't take vacations or who don't avoid unnecessary stress must learn to do so. There are many ways to deal with stress including meditation, exercise and deep breathing.

If you get a chance volunteer for a study. These studies can help us predict risk and individualized pre-prevention strategies. This will help us avoid hypertension during middle age or delay it.

Before starting your fitness program, consult your physician.

PART 2

It all began with Adam and Eve

By Pastor Simeon R. Green III
Special to The Mississippi Link



We read in Matthew 23:37-38, “O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the one who kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to her! How often I wanted to gather your children together as a hen gathers her chicks beneath her wings, but you wouldn’t let me. And now your house is left to you, desolate.”

Picture this: You are a parent sending your child to appeal to someone whom you love and know is misdirected, misguided, misinformed, in anxiety and anguish because of sin and deception, and whose life you know could be tuned around and be glorious and wonderful for him. You send your child to appeal to him, and he kills him or her – when all you wanted to do is to help him out of the mess that he is in but could not see the condition in which he lives. “The one who kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to her!”

We read in Romans 3:19, “Now we know that whatever the law says, it says to those who are under the law, that every mouth may be stopped,

and all the world may become guilty before God.” Do we have any defense? All of mankind is included here – us too. All have rejected God’s truth out of hand when confronted with it and before God took deliberate steps to open the minds of some. Even now, we wrestle in our flesh – where our mind sets itself to decide the law and rule of God – with lies, misinformation, misleading statements, spiritual things that have been said in the past. This is how deeply it is ingrained.

What is it that keeps us from submitting even when we recognize something as being true? The lesson of this day reveals where the root cause stems in us: it is pride. This is how we, with the help of Satan, contribute to the myth. When we add to this that the first man’s sin involved food, it provides an interesting dimension to this day. Is it possible that fasting is commanded on this day to remind us of this – that the first sin involved food? Is it also to remind us, at the same time, that we can humble ourselves, that we can control our drives, our desires, our passions and our attitudes?

There is no stronger drive in human beings than to preserve

their lives. God has not told us to stop breathing – that would end our lives immediately – but He has commanded us to stop eating and drinking food and water because these are the next two essential things to life. They are so essential that even after only one day many of us are already sick, nauseated and vomiting, lying on our beds hardly having enough strength to get out of them, woozy headed.

God is teaching us from where strength comes – from those things He provides. God freely gives to all of mankind air to breathe, water to drink, and food to eat. He gives these to everybody. However, God is also the source of all spiritual qualities that enable us to live on His plane of existence. These can come only from Him, and they will only come to us if we humble ourselves and work to control our drives and our passions and our attitudes – and to submit.

We find ourselves being hit from both directions. We begin to really see the nature of the problem that separates us from God. The nature of the problem is pride; the solution to the problem is humility. If Adam and Eve had been humbled enough to simply believe what God had said,

their separation from Him would never have happened. They were proud enough that they thought they knew better. That is what pride does: It makes us feel that we know better than what the Creator says or even what other people may say that is correct.

We read in 1 Peter 5:5-6, “Likewise you younger people, submit yourselves to your elders. Yes, all of you be submissive to one another, and be clothed with humility, for God resists the proud, but gives grace to the humble. Therefore, humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time.”

Do you know the most important thing that we can get out of these verses? It is the understanding and the knowledge, the belief and the conviction that humility is a choice. He says, “Humble yourself.” We can choose to go the right way. When we make the choice to go the right way, we have, then, humbled ourselves. Humility is not a feeling; it is a state of mind wherein a person sets his course to submit to God – regardless of his feelings.

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Stranger than fiction but strong like faith

By Shewanda Riley
Columnist



A few years ago, I saw Stranger than Fiction, a pleasantly surprising movie starring Will Ferrell as IRS auditor Harold Crick who leads a fairly uneventful life. One day, he hears a female voice describing his life. Harold is genuinely annoyed because he is the only one who hears the voice and also because the voice appears to know things that have happened as well as things that are going to happen.

He then gets alarmed when he hears the voice (turns out to be the author of a novel) say that he is going to die a sudden death as a way of ending the latest novel. For the remainder of the movie, Harold’s goal is to stop the voice from ending his life. In the end, Harold’s pleas seemingly have an impact on the author’s decision on how to end her novel.

I knew when I saw the previews for the movie that I’d want to see it for one reason: I think it is a good illustration of what some Christians feel they experience in building an authentically intimate relationship with God.

In a very strange twist, Harold, a character in a novel, meets the author face to face. As a movie goer, you have to suspend your logic for a moment and believe that a fictional character can meet their creator. Harold’s attitude was good as long as he could plead his case to the author, hoping somehow she’d change her mind about the story. He’s quite persistent as he seeks her out and then passionately talks to her about her story outline. She lis-

tens to him, but still ultimately makes the final decision on his fate. It turns out to be one that they are both pleased with.

It wasn’t called grace by the actors, but the movie was a good illustration of God’s grace being able to change desperate circumstances.

Harold’s pleas reminded me of how we are told that we can go boldly to God with any issue. Yet, how many of us limit ourselves in what we take to God in prayer because we are fearful, ashamed, or full of pride? Ephesians 4:16 says, “Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

However, we should not wait until things get desperate for us to reach out to God. Unlike in the movie where Harold had to seek out the reclusive author, we don’t have to search in desperation for God. As simple as it sounds, he’s always waiting for us. Most of the time, we have to move back into position through prayer, praise and worship to reconnect with God’s life-changing grace. Our relationship with God must go beyond being stranger than fiction...it must be stronger than fiction and strengthened by faith.

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Tell the Supreme Court: We still need Affirmative Action

By Ben Jealous
People For the American Way



One of the great joys of my life is teaching. I'm fortunate to teach classes on social justice at the University of Pennsylvania, one of the most respected schools in the country. Penn has a longstanding commitment to affirmative action, and I have seen firsthand how diversity in the classroom benefits all my students. There's just no question that diversity is a core piece of a vibrant academic community and a critical part of the learning experience – for all of us. Bringing together students with different lived experiences forces students to think critically about their assumptions, which is an essential goal of a university education.

That's why I, like so many of us, am deeply concerned about two affirmative action cases argued at the Supreme Court just a few days ago. Opponents of affirmative action have been trying to destroy it for years. And now it looks like they just might get their chance.

Two universities, Harvard and the University of North Carolina (UNC), are defending their admissions programs against opponents who want them declared unconstitutional. (The university where I teach, Penn, and the organization I lead, People For the American Way, have both joined briefs supporting the universities' positions.) Considering race as one of many factors in admissions has been upheld by the Supreme Court for decades. The Court has said repeatedly that diversity in higher education is a "compelling interest."

But today's Supreme Court is different. It's dominated by far-right justices who have made it clear they don't share this view. Chief Justice John Roberts's famous quote, "The way to stop discrimination on the basis of race is to stop discriminating on the basis of race," sums it up: conservatives believe affirmative action is at best unnecessary and at worst just another type of discrimination. Some conservatives would like to retire affirmative action because they claim it's accomplished everything it set out to do. But it hasn't. Not even close.

In Texas and Michigan, applications and enrollments of black and Latino students plunged after state politicians banned the consideration of race in admission to their public universities. That's a huge red flag. Nationally, there's a big gap between the percentage of white and black students who earn a bachelor's degree. And that perpetuates all kinds of harm and inequities in income, health, family wealth, and more. We still have a long way to go in building a fair society in which all our children can thrive.

And here's an important point that often gets lost. All students – no matter their race or color or creed – benefit from affirmative action. Having diverse classmates promotes a stimulating exchange of ideas and viewpoints. It prepares all students for living and working in our increasingly diverse society. The Supreme Court as a whole used to understand that. Today, I worry that only a minority of the justices do.

One of those justices is Ketanji Brown Jackson, the first black woman on the Court and a person of profound insight and wisdom. Her questions in oral arguments got to the heart of the matter. Imagine two qualified students applying to UNC, Justice Jackson suggested: a white North Carolinian student whose family members had attended the school for generations, and a black North Carolinian whose family had historically been shut out. The white applicant might make the case that attending UNC is deeply meaningful to her because it is a family tradition. The black applicant might make the case that it is deeply meaningful because her family was so long denied.

Jackson's question made it clear what would happen if the Court adopts the Far Right's position: the white student's appeal to family history would be allowed to help their chance of acceptance, while the black student's would not. It would further institutionalize discrimination and the harm it has caused generations of black Americans.

I am so grateful for Justice Jackson's voice on the Court. I also know that the six right-wing justices expressed skepticism of affirmative action at oral arguments. Many reporters are already writing its obituary. I hope for the sake of our education system and our next generation, that they will be wrong. The "compelling interest" that led the Court to uphold affirmative action in the past still exists – in fact, it may be stronger than ever.

Ben Jealous serves as president of People For the American Way and Professor of the Practice at the University of Pennsylvania. A New York Times best-selling author, his next book "Never Forget Our People Were Always Free" will be published by Harper Collins in January 2023.

Time's up for Clarence Thomas being on the Supreme Court

By Donald M. Suggs
Publisher of The St. Louis American



Clarence Thomas has been a controversial figure since day one – and it's time for him to step down from the United States Supreme Court.

From the allegations of sexual harassment by Anita Hill and his ethically questionable behavior and connections with his politically active wife, to his commitment to upholding laws that do harm to the black community, Thomas' name has long been synonymous with controversy.

It began after his nomination in July 1991 to the Supreme Court by President George H.W. Bush. Thomas was selected to replace retiring civil rights icon, and the court's first African American justice, Thurgood Marshall. Who can forget the contentious confirmation hearing – and Anita Hill's testimony about alleged sexual harassment – that immediately followed?

The controversy also stems from his inexplicable, confusing and contrarian views on race in America. From his early years to his overall performance during his 30-year tenure on the court, his rulings have justifiably earned strong disdain, even loathing among most black Americans, as well as many Hispanics and women.

The calculation of Republicans at the time, to place a young, reliably conservative black person in the so-called 'Black Seat' that was held by liberal justice Thurgood Marshall, for more than 30 years, has proven to exceed the right's wildest expectations. Thomas (only 43 when he came to the court) has repeatedly supported policies that have helped maintain the status of disenfranchised minority communities.

Thomas' ascendancy to the court has created particularly disastrous consequences for black America's aspiration to move forward in American society. His response to criticism, while not unexpected based on his history, still shows an almost pugnacious and unyielding indifference to the plight of black people in the United States, a condition that has plagued them since the nation's founding.

Now, he is joined on the Supreme



U.S. Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas shares some words before swearing in Sonny Perdue as the 31st Secretary of Agriculture April 25, 2017, at the Supreme Court in Washington, D.C.. PHOTO BY PRESTON KERES

Court by Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson, a proud black woman, who was confirmed by the Senate despite a wild and disingenuous smear campaign against her by some Republican senators on the Judicial Committee. She is expected to offer a sharp contrast to Thomas' servile obedience to far right-wing Republican ideology and its racist political dogmas.

Remember, Thomas had succeeded a judicial giant on the court, someone who championed equal justice for all under the law during his long years as a Supreme Court Justice. Marshall was even eulogized by conservative Chief Justice William Rehnquist, who wrote, "inscribed above the front entrance of this court building are the words 'equal justice under the law.' Surely no individual did more to make these words a reality than Thurgood Marshall."

The Senate confirmed civil rights litigator Thurgood Marshall as the first African American to serve on the Supreme Court August 30, 1967, following his nomination by President Lyndon B. Johnson. He had led the NAACP legal team that in 1954 won Brown vs. Board of Education, a historic landmark decision that invalidated the concept of segregated public schools under the 14th Amendment – a constitutional amendment that had been enacted in 1868 after the Civil War, almost exactly a century before.

A majority on the Senate Democratic-controlled Judiciary Committee, in a rebuff to the dissenting Southern Senators on the panel, sent their majority approval to the full Senate. They reported that nominee Marshall, "demonstrated those qualities we admire in members of

our highest judicial tribunal... along with a balanced approach to controversial and complicated national problems."

In contrast to Clarence Thomas, Judge Jackson embraces her role as a black person. She proudly and unequivocally said, "It has taken 232 years and 115 prior appointments for a black woman to be selected to serve on the Supreme Court of the United States, but we've made it. We made it – all of us."

Reflecting on the continuing travail of many black people in the country since they were brought to the U.S. as slaves – but still holding a belief in our drive to continue forward – she quoted poet Maya Angelou: "I am the dream and hope of the future."

The actions of right-wing racists – despite their praise, even adulation – show what they really think about Clarence Thomas and the millions of Americans who look like him. They consider him and his fellow black Republican Tim Scott, the U.S. Senator from South Carolina, exploitable, as "useful idiots."

Even Thomas, 73, must be concerned about the inevitable future comparison between him, his intellect, his integrity in the past on the bench, and his verbal ability compared to this brilliant, unequivocally black woman, Ketanji Brown Jackson, only 51.

More recently, we have seen some different challenges created by recent revelations about the role of his wife Ginni Thomas, a conservative activist and Thomas himself.

Ginni Thomas worked tirelessly after the presidential election in 2020 to overturn the thoroughly vetted defeat of Trump (who has still not conceded). Moreover,

the couple has long had questions raised about Thomas' ethics in cases in the past where she has been an active advocate. He has continued to refuse to answer those questions appropriately.

A report in the *New York Times Magazine* in March 2022 said that they have appeared for years together at highly political events hosted by advocates hoping to sway the court. While it is possible that married people can have independent views and careers, the Thomases have gone way beyond what is considered ethically proper behavior, particularly because they brag about how they are fused "into one being" in their marriage and their politics.

Although Thomas is protected from a code of judicial ethics as a Supreme Court justice – a code that applies to all other federal judges – he continues to use that special dispensation to ignore any sense of duty to avoid what Justice Sonia Sotomayor called the "stink" of partisanship.

This adds weight to calls for him to leave the court to make room for someone who accepts their responsibility to protect the highest court in the country's credibility and reputation. In the difference to the two other branches of the federal government, the Supreme Court depends largely on public trust to maintain its influence and authority. Thomas has repeatedly betrayed that trust and therefore undermined the democracy and freedom he claims to revere.

In conclusion, let's turn to the last words back in the 16th century of William Shakespeare, "Live in thy shame, but die not shame with thee."

Can incivility and democracy exist together in America today?

By James B. Ewers Jr.
President Emeritus
Teen Mentoring Committee of Ohio



Our America is going through some difficult times right now. Good times have been replaced by bad times.

Politicians on both sides are trying to convince us to follow them. They say what we want to hear yet their talk doesn't match their walk in many instances. Running for public office has made them say about anything that will make people clap and cheer.

They make us feel good for 50 minutes and then like smoke that feeling evaporates. We are left disillusioned and disappointed.

The question at the podium is can anything be done to change this feeling of despair?

In days gone by, we would not have to debate about civility and democracy going together. It would be a no-brainer yet today, we are living in times of mayhem and mean spiritedness.

When did this period of calousness begin? It depends upon

who you ask.

For some, this era of rancor and recklessness is just fine. They revel in it and love the confusion that it brings. However, if you ask them about it, they ramble on about how much is wrong in America. If you mention the January 6th catastrophe, they justify it in some awkward and non-sensical way.

I believe this period of insolence started in earnest with the last president of the United States of America. Don't get me wrong there were problems before but not to this extent. As a nation, we were able to squash them as they didn't overwhelm us. Bad people with bad intentions were in the background however they couldn't get a foothold on our democracy.

It is my opinion that closet haters and racists have come out of their dungeons and now are in full view in America. They spread lies and half-truths. Sadly, they are influencing a significant number of people who lack understanding and clarity about the issues of the day.

According to reports by the

Center for the Study of Hate and Extremism, hate crimes increased during the first half of this year.

The FBI defines a hate crime as "a criminal offense against a person or property motivated in whole or in part by an offender's bias against a race, religion, disability, sexual orientation, ethnicity, gender or gender identity."

Data for this report was collected in 15 major cities with a combined population of 25.5 million people.

Arusha Gordon of the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law said, "It always makes me very nervous discussing the data around hate crimes just because we know that the data is really so lacking."

With hate on the rise, America is falling and failing its citizens.

As mid-term elections have come and gone, we will see what happens with those that we have elected to lead us.

Prior to the mid-term elections, some states were being overly influenced by folks who wanted to see injustice reign

supreme. Candidates in some states had questionable credentials and dubious reputations. America, we were being duped and hoodwinked.

Can we do better? Yes, we can.

However, we the sane must overcome the insane.

Whether you were a Democratic winner or a Republican winner, you must put America first on your agenda.

If you were a Republican winner, please do not talk about the 2020 election being stolen. It wasn't and Joe Biden is the president of the United States of America.

If you won, develop relationships with the other political party. Being isolated and thinking your way is the only way will not work.

Democracy is a cornerstone of the American way of life. Be an advocate of right and not a carrier of wrong. As we have all heard before, we are better together.

Breaking News! The Houston Astros and their manager, Dusty Baker, are the 2022 World Series Champions!

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A REZONING

ZONING CASE NO. 4194

By virtue of and pursuant to the authority and direction of that Ordinance by the City Council of Jackson, Mississippi, appearing in Minute Book 3G at page 115 thereof, notice is hereby given to all persons interested in or in any way affected thereby, that Lonnie J Wilkerson has filed with the Planning Board for the City of Jackson, an application requesting a Rezoning from SR - (Suburban) Residential District to C-3 (General) Commercial District to allow for an automotive service and repair center for property located at Parcel: #2859-935 on Highway 49 in the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as:

18.85 acres being part of Lots 21, 22 and 23 of Exchange Club Subdivision, a subdivision of record, plat of which is filed in Plat Book 2 at Page 1 1 and also situated in the Southwest ¼ of the Southwest ¼ of Section 1, the Southeast ¼ of the Southeast ¼ of Section 2, the Northeast ¼ of the Northeast ¼ of Section 11, Township 6 North, Range 1 West, First Judicial District, Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as follows:

Commence at the found #4 rebar marking the common corner of Lots 15, 16, 21, and 22 of said Exchange Club Subdivision; run thence, South 00 degrees and 09 minutes East for 50.30 feet to a found #4 rebar; run thence, East for 728.40 feet to a found #4 rebar, said rebar also marking the POINTE OF BEGINNING; run thence, South 48 degrees 27 minutes west for 1322.20 feet to a set #4 rebar being on the Easterly line of U.S. Highway 49; run thence along said Easterly line 43 degrees 11 minutes East for 175.87 feet to a point; run thence, South 33 degrees 40 minutes East for 296.30 feet to a found concrete monument; run thence, South 38 degrees 33 minutes East for 1 10.27 feet to a found #4 rebar being at an existing fence corner; run thence leaving said Easterly line and along said existing fence, North 47 degrees 47 minutes East 457.84 feet to a found #4 rebar; run thence along said existing fence North 39 degrees 39 minutes East for 196.65 feet to a set #4 rebar being in existing 24 inch pine stump; run thence, North 33 degrees 40 minutes East for 18.91 feet to a 28 inch pine tree being in said existing fence; run thence along existing fence, North 37 degrees 04 minutes East for 187.60 feet to a found #4 rebar; run thence leaving said existing fence, South 80 degrees 51 minutes East for 58.02 feet to a found #4 rebar; run thence, North 34 degrees 55 minutes East for 312.10 feet to a found #4 rebar; continue thence, North 34 degrees 55 minutes East for 172.63 feet to a found #4 rebar; continue thence, North 34 degrees 55 minutes East for 455.12 feet to a found #4 rebar; run thence, West for 493.26 feet to a set #4 rebar; run thence, South 48 degrees 27 minutes West for 72.07 feet back to the found #4 rebar marking the POINT OF BEGNNING.

Together with and including all of the following:

BEGIN AT THE CORNER COMMON To LOTS 15, 16, 21, AND 22 OF THE EXCHANGE CLUB SUBDIVISION INSECTION ONE AND SECTION TWO, TOWNSHIP SIX NORTH, RANGE ONE WEST, HINDS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, A MAP OR PLAT OF SAID SUBDIVISION BEING ON RECORD IN THE CHANCERY CLERK'S OFFICE OF THE FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF HINDS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, RUN THENCE SOUTH ALONG THE WEST LINE OF LOT 22 FOR A DISTANCE OF FIFTY FEET, RUN THENCE EAST PARRALLE WITH THE NORTH LINE OF LOT 22 FOR A DISTANCE OF 728 FEET; RUN THENCE SOUTH 48 DEGREES 45 MINUTES WEST FOR A DISTANCE OF 1371 FEET TO A POINT ON NORTH LINE OF U.S. HIGHWAY NO. 49, RUN THENCE SOUTH 38 DEGREES 50 MINUTES EAST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF US HIGHWAY NO. 49 TO A POINT WHERE THE NORTH LINE OF U.S. HIGHWAY NO. 49 INTERSECTS THE SOUTH LINE OF LOT 21, RUN THENCE EAST ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF LOTS 21, 22, AND 23 FOR A DISTANCE OF 1465 FEET TO THE CENTER LINE OF THE CYNTHIACLINTON ROAD, THENCE RUN NORTHEASTERLY ALONG THE CENTER LINE OF SAID CYNTHIA-CLINTON ROAD FOR A DISTANCE OF 1415 FEET, TO A POINT WHERE SAID ROAD INTERSECTS THE NORTH LINE OF LOT 23 OF SAID SUBDIVISION, RUN THENCE WEST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF LOTS 23 AND 22 A DISTANCE OF APPROXIMATELY: 1882 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

ALSO:

A STRIP OF LAND THIRTY-THREE (33) FEET FOUR (4) INCHES IN WIDTH OFF THE ENTIRE WEST SIDE OF LOT 15 OF SAID EXCHANGE CLUB SUBDIVISION.

A CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND BEING SITUATED IN THE NORTHEAST QUARTER NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 1 1, TOWNSHIP 6 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST, HINDS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS: BEGINNING AT A POINT IN THE NORTH LINEOF SECTION 1 1, TOWNSHIP 6 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST, WHICH POINT IS 38.8 FEET MEASURED WESTERLY ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SECTION 1 1 FROM THE NORTHEAST CORNER THEREOF, SAID POINT OF BEGINNING IS FURTHER DESCRIBED AS BEING THE POINT OF INTERSECTION OF THE NORTHERN RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF THE PROPOSED NATCHEZ TRACE WITH THE NORTHERN LINE OF SAID SECTION 1 1 AND FROM SAID POINT OF BEGINNING RUN THENCE SOUTH 60 DEGREES 54 MINUTES WEST AND ALONG THE PROPOSED NORTHERN RIGHT-OF-WAY OF SAID NATCHEZ TRACE FOR A DISTANCE OF 469.7 FEET: RUN THENCE SOUTH 50 DEGREES 39 MINUTES WEST AND ALONG THE PROPOSED NORTHERN RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF THE NATCHEZ TRACE FOR A DISTANCE OF 46.1 FEET TO THE PRESENT NORTHEASTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF SAID OLD U.S. HIGHWAY #49; RUN THENCE NORTH 38-DEGREE 46 MINUTES WEST AND ALONG THE NORTHEASTERN RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF SAID OLD U.S. HIGHWAY FOR A DISTANCE OF 335.55 FEET TO ITS INTERSECTION WITH THE NORTH LINE OF SECTION 1 1; RUN THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 37 MINUTES EAST AND ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SECTION 1 1 FOR A DISTANCE OF 655.9 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 2.65 ACRES, MORE OR LESS.

LESS AND EXCEPT:

A CERTAIN TWO ACRES OF LAND IN THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 23, EXCHANGE CLUB SUBDIVISION, WHICH IS MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS: BEGINNING AT THE INTERSECTION OF THE NORTH LINE OF LOT 23 OF THE EXCHANGE CLUB SUBDIVISION WHERE THE SAME IS INTERSECTED BY THE WEST BOUNDARY OF A PUBLIC GRAVEL ROAD; RUN THENCE SOUTH 20 DEGREES 50 MINUTES WEST ALONG THE WESTERNLY AND PARALLEL WITH THE NORTH LINE OF SAID LOT 23 FOR A DISTANCE OF 305.5 FEET TO THE NORTH LINE OF SAID LOT 23; THENCE EASTERNLY 305.5 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

A CERTAIN TRACT CONTAINING 4.136 ACRES, SITUATED IN THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 1, TOWNSHIP 6 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST, FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT, HINDS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, WHICH IS MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS: STARTING AT A POINT THAT IS THE CORNER COMMON TO SECTIONS 1, 2, 11, AND 12, TOWNSHIP 6 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST, FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT, HINDS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI; BEING THE POINT OF BEGINNING; RUN THENCE NORTH 60 DEGREES 54 MINUTES EAST 250.5 FEET TO A POINT, CORNER #247; RUN THENCE NORTH 66 DEGREES 34 MINUTES EAST 747.4 FEET TO A POINT, CORNER #246; RUN THENCE SOUTH 21 DEGREES 33 MINUTES WEST 474.2 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE DUE WEST 730.0 FEET TO A POINT, THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

BEGIN AT THE POINT OF THE INTERSECTION OF THE PRESENT NORTHEASTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF THE NATCHEZ TRACE PARKWAY WITH THE PRESENT NORTHEASTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF THE U.S. HIGHWAY NO. 49, SAID POINT OF INTERSECTION IS 257.4 FEET SOUTH OF AND 484.5 FEET WEST OF THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SECTION 11, TOWNSHIP 6 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST; FROM SAID POINT OF BEGINNING RUN THENCE NORTH 38 DEGREES 44 MINUTES WEST ALONG THE PRESENT NORTHEASTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF SAID U.S. HIGHWAY 49, A DISTANCE OF 787.3 FEET; THENCE RUN NORTH 48 DEGREES 45 MINUTES EAST ALONG THE NORTHEASTERLY LINE OF GRANTORS PROPERTY, A DISTNCE OF 96.0 FEET, TO THE PROPOSED NORTHEASTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF STATE PROJECT NO. SP-0008-3(10); THENCE RUN SOUTH 43 DEGREES 11 MINUTES EAST ALONG SAID PROPOSED NORTHEASTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE, A DISTANCE OF 181.7 FEET; THENCE RUN SOUTH 33 DEGREES 59 MINUTES EAST, A DISTANCE OF 301.0 FEET; THANCE RUN SOUTH 38 DEGREES 44 MINUTES EAST ALONG A LINE THAT IS PARALLEL WITH AND 61 FEET NORTHEASTERLY OF THE CENTERLINE OF PARALLEL OF SURVEY OF SAID HIGHWAY PROJECT, A DISTANCE OF 200.0 FEET; THENCE RUN SOUTH 51 DEGREES 18 MINUTES EAST, A DISTANCE OF 115.0 FEET, TO THE PRESENT NORTHEASTERLY RIGH-OF-WAY LINE OF THE NATCHEZ TRACE PARKWAY; THENCE RUN SOUTH 60 DEGREES 54 MINUTES WEST ALONG SAID NORTHEASTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE, A DISTANCE OF 24.79 FEET; THENCE RUN SOUTH 50 DEGREES 39 MINUTES WEST, A DISTANCE OF 46.1 FEET, TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, CONTAINING 1.01 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, AND ALL BEING SITUATED IN AND A PART OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 11 AND LOTS 21 AND 22 OF THE EXCHANGE CLUN SUBDIVISION IN THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 2, ALL IN TOWNSHIP 6 NORTH, RANGE 1 WEST, FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF HINDS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI.

SUBJECT TO:

A CERTAIN EASEMENT OR RIGHT-OF-WAY PARALLEL AND ADJACENT TO THE NORTH SIDE OF CYNTHIA ROAD GRANTED TO MISSISSIPPI POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY ON JULY 5, 1946, OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE CHANCERY CLERK OF THE FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF HINDS COUNTY,

MISSISSIPPI IN BOOK 452 AT PAGE 282.

A CERTAIN EASEMENT OR RIGHT-OF-WAY ACROSS LOT 22 GRANTED TO MISSISSIPPI POWER & LIGHT COMPANY ON DECEMBER 7, 1948, OF RECORD

IN THE OFFICE OF THE CHANCERY CLERK OF THE FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF HINDS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN BOOK 570 AT PAGE 175.

LESS AND EXCEPT:

INDEXING INSTRUCTIONS: SW ¼, SW ¼, S1, T6N, R1W, 1ST JUDICIAL DISTRICT, HINDS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

5.00 Acres located in the SW ¼ of the SW ¼ of Section I, Township 6 North, Range 1 West, Hinds County, Mississippi, and being further described as follows to-wit:

Commencing at Natchez Trace Parkway monument Number 249, said monument being the SW corner of said Section I, run thence, North for 799.49 feet, run thence, East for 246.33 feet to an iron pin; run thence, North 34 degrees 55 minutes East for 172.63 feet to the iron pin marking the POINT OF BEGINNING, run thence, South 75 degrees 53 minutes East for 661.73 feet to an iron pin on the west line of Cynthia Road; run thence, along the west line of said road, North 21 degrees 19 minutes East for 267.37 feet; run thence, leaving the west line of said road; West for 281.04 feet to an iron pin; runt hence, West for 306.11 feet to an iron pin, run thence South 34 degrees 54 minutes West for 455, 12 feet back to the iron pin marking the POINT OF BEGINNING.

INDEXING INSTRUCTIONS: SW ¼, SW ¼, S1, T6N, R1W, 1ST JUDICIAL DISTRICT, HINDS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI.

2.90 acres located in the SW ¼ of the SW ¼ of Section I, Township 6 North, Range I West, Hinds County, Mississippi, and being further described as follow to-wit:

Commencing at Natchez Trace Parkway monument Number 249, said monument being the SW corner of said Section I; run thence, North for 799.49 feet; run thence, East for 246.33 feet to the iron pin marking the POINT OF BEGINNING; run thence, North 34 degrees 55 minutes East for 172.63 feet to an iron pin, run thence, South 75 degrees 53 minutes East for 661.73 feet to an iron pin on the west line of Cynthia Road, run thence, along the west line of said road, South 21 degrees 19 minutes West for 210.0 feet to an iron pin; run thence, leaving the west line of said road, North 72 degrees 02 minutes West for 698.25 feet back to the iron pin marking the POINT OF BEGINNING.

ALSO LESS AND EXCEPT:

2.0 acres, more or less, situated in the SW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of section 1, Township 6 North, Range 1 West, First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi and being further described as follows, to-wit:

Commencing at concrete monument #249 of the Natchez Trace Parkway, said monument being the SW corner of said Section 1 : run thence, North for 799.49 feet ; run thence, East for 246.33 feet to the iron pin found marking the POINT OF BEGINNING; run thence, South 21 degrees 19 minutes West for 146.50 feet to an iron pin; run thence, 72 degrees 02 minutes East for 595.69 feet to an iron pin on the west line of Cynthia Road; run thence, along the west line of said road, South 21 degrees 19 minutes West for 35.20 feet to an iron pin; run thence, North 80 degrees 35 minutes West for 787.36 feet to an iron pin; run thence, North 34 degrees 55 minutes East for 312.19 feet back to the iron pin marking the POINT OF BEGINNING.

ALSO LESS AND EXCEPT:

2.00 acres situated in the SW ¼ of the SW ¼ of Section 1, Township 6 North, Range 1 West, Hinds County, Mississippi and being further described as follows, to-wit:

Commencing at concrete monument #249 of the Natchez Trace Parkway, said mon-ument being the SW corner of said Section 1; run thence, North for 799.49; run thence, East for 246.33 feet to a found iron pin; run thence, South 72 degrees 02 minutes East for 102.56 feet to the iron pin marking the POINT OF BEGINNING; run thence, South 72 degrees 02 minutes East for 595.69 feet to an iron pin found on the west line of Cynthia Road; run thence, along the west line of said road, South 21 degrees 19 minutes West for 146.50 feet to an iron pin; run thence North 72 degrees 02 minutes west for 595.69 feet to an iron pin; run thence, North 21 degrees 19 minutes East for 146.50 feet back to the iron pin marking the POINT OF BEGINNING.

ALSO LESS AND EXCEPT:

0.56 acres, more or less, situated in the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 1, Township 6 North, Range 1 West, Hinds County, Mississippi and being further described as follows, to-wit:

Commencing of concrete monument #249 of the Natchez Trace Parkway said concrete monument being the SW corner of said Section 1; run thence, North for 543.57 feet to a point: run thence, East for 67.69 feet to the iron pin marking the POINT OF BEGINNING; run thence, south 80 degrees 35 minutes East for 787.36 feet to an iron pin marking the west line of Cynthia Road; run thence, South 82 degrees 53 minutes West for 216.93 feet to an iron pin; run thence, North 74 degrees 30 minutes West for 582.68 feet back to the iron pin marking the POINT OF BEGINNING.

ALSO LESS AND EXCEPT:

8.62 acres, more or less, situated in Section I, 2, and 11 all in Township 6 North, Range 1 West, Hinds County, Mississippi, and being further described as follows, to-wit: BEGINNING at concrete monument #249 of the Natchez Trace Parkway, said monument being the SW corner of said Section 1; run thence, along the north line of the Natchez Trace Parkway for the following courses:

North 88 degrees 25 minutes West for 38.95 feet to concrete monument #250 of the Natchez Trace Parkway; run thence, South 61 degrees 07 minutes West 449.20 feet to a concrete monument marking the intersection of the noth line of the Natchez Trace Parkway with the east line of Highway 49;

run thence, leaving the north line of the Natchez Trace Parkway and along the east line of Highway 49 for the following courses;

North 50 degrees 27 minutes West for 1 15.81 feet to a concrete monument; run thence, North 38 degrees 33 minutes West for 90.08 feet to an iron pin;

run thence, leaving the east line of highway 49 and along a fence line and its north-erly projection for the following courses: North 47 degrees 47 minutes East for 457.84 feet to an iron pin; run thence, North 39 degrees 39 minutes East for 196.65 feet to a 24 inch pine tree; run thence, North 33 degrees 40 minutes East for 18.91 feet to a 15 inch pine tree; run thence, North 37 degrees 04 minutes East for 187.60 feet to an iron pin;

run thence, leaving said fence line, south 80 degrees 51 minutes East for 58.02 feet to an iron pin; run thence, south 74 degrees 30 minutes East for 582.68 feet to an iron pin; run thence, North 82 degrees 53 minutes East for 216.93 feet to an iron pin marking the intersection of the west line of Cynthia Road with the north line of the Natchez Trace Parkway; run thence, along the north line of the Natchez Trace Parkway for the following courses:

South 66 degrees 37 minutes West for 681.77 feet to concrete monument #247 of the Natchez Trace Parkway; run thence, South 60 degrees 53 minutes West for 250.51 feet to concrete monument #248 of the Natchez Trace Parkway; run thence, South 00 degrees 30 minutes East for 22.38 feet back to the concrete monument marking the POINT OF BEGINNNING.

Said application will be heard at the City Planning Board Hearing in the Andrew Jackson Conference Room, First Floor, Warren A. Hood Building, 200 S. President Street in Jackson, Mississippi, at 1:30 p.m., on Wednesday, November 16, 2022, at which time all parties interested in or affected thereby will be heard both pro and con on said question, after which a record will be established upon which the City Planning Board can make its recommendation to the City Council of Jackson. Any objection thereto may be made by any person owning property within the area, and if made in writing must be filed with the City Zoning Administrator before said time if a hearing thereof or consideration thereof is desired, or by counsel on said date. If a request is made to the Zoning Administrator at least 72 hours in advance, the City will take steps to accommodate citizens need for interpreters or auxiliary aids for the visually/hearing impaired.

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WITNESS my signature this 20th day of October 2022.

/s/Ester L. Ainsworth
Zoning Administrator
City of Jackson, Mississippi

10/27/2022, 11/10/2022

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SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT

IN THE MATTER OF
BRAD PENNINGTON, DECEASED

JORDAN FISHER PENNINGTON

SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED TO SUMMONS:

CAUSE NO.: G22-68 T/1

PETITIONER

Any and all persons or parties who are interested in or claim any right, title, or interest in heirs-at-law and wrongful death beneficiaries of Brad Pennington, deceased, including, but limited to, the unknown heirs-at-law and wrongful death beneficiaries of Brad Pennington deceased, if they be living and not to be found therein after diligent search and inquiry and whose places of residence, post office, and street and house addresses are unknown after diligent street search and inquiry to ascertain the same, and if dead, their unknown devisees, executor administrators, or legal representatives are not to be found after diligent search and inquiry, and whose places of residence, post offices, and street and house addresses are unknown after diligent search and inquiry to ascertain the same. You have been made Defendants in the lawsuit filed in the Court by Jordan Fisher Pennington to establish the heirs-at-law and wrongful death beneficiaries of Brad Pennington, deceased.

IF TO BE FOUND IN THIS COUNTY, to be and appear before the Honorable Dewayne Thomas, of the Chancery Court of Hinds County, at the Hinds County Chancery Courthouse in Jackson, Mississippi, on the 28th day of November, 2022, at 9:00 a.m., next, then and there to show cause, if any they can why Jordan Fisher Pennington and Westin Pennington should not be declared the only heirs-at-law and wrongful death beneficiaries of Brad Pennington, deceased, according to law, and further to do and suffer such things as shall be considered and ordered by the Court aforesaid in the premises, and have then and there this, with an endorsement thereon to the manner in which you shall have served.

YOU ARE SUMMONED TO APPEAR and defend against the Petition filed against you in this action on the date and time as set forth herein above before the Honorable Dewayne Thomas in Jackson, Mississippi; and in case of your failure to appear and defend, a judgment will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Petition. You are not required to file an answer or other pleadings, but you may do so if you desire.

ISSUED UNDER MY HAND AND THE SEAL of said Court, this the 19th day of October, 2022.



BY: *[Signature]*
JODIE JEAN CARR
CHANCERY CLERK OF HINDS CO.
SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT

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DISABILITIES PROGRAM (5310) TRANSPORTATION, BUS, AND BUS FACILITIES (5339) FUNDS APPLICATIONS

The Mississippi Department of Transportation (MDOT) is soliciting applications for the following Federal Transit Administration (FTA) formula grant transportation programs through the Public Transit Division. These funds will be made available based upon the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL), Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act federal appropriations. MDOT will also, to the greatest extent utilize any available older 5311 Moving Ahead for Progress in 21st Century (MAP-21) funds to fund projects

Section 5311 Rural Areas program

Eligible applicants include State and local governmental authorities, Indian Tribes, private non-profit organizations, and private operators of public transportation services under special contractual arrangements. Although an applicant's proposal may target specific client groups, services for the general public must be included. Applicants are reminded that participation in a local coordinated planning process must also be clearly documented. Consequently, projects must be derived from an approved local Human Service Public Transportation Coordination Plan.

This program funds general public, job access and reverse commute and certain intercity bus transportation services in areas with less than 50,000 in population. Approximately \$20,000,000 in FTA funds are expected to be available for capital, operating, planning and administration expenses that may support general public, job access and reverse commute and intercity transportation services.

A job access and reverse commute project is defined as a transportation project that may provide planning, capital and/or operating costs of services designed to transport welfare recipients and eligible low-income individuals to and from jobs and activities related to their employment. This may include projects that involve trips to and from urbanized areas or rural areas to suburban employment locations.

Intercity transportation services may include rural and small urban areas. Eligible intercity bus activities include planning and marketing for intercity bus transportation, capital, some operating cost and coordination of rural connections between rural transit projects and intercity carriers.

5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program (Rural, Small and Large Urbanized Area)

This program provides funds for private non-profit organizations to implement services that:

- 1) Serve the special needs of transit-dependent populations beyond traditional public transportation service, where public transportation is insufficient, inappropriate, or unavailable;
- 2) Exceeds the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA);
- 3) Improve access to fixed route service and decrease reliance on complementary paratransit;
- 4) or provide alternatives to public transportation

Capital and operating awards will be provided from approximately \$3,000,000 in federal funds made available for rural (Less than 50,000 in population) and small urban areas (50,000 –

199,999 in population), City of Jackson Urbanized Area (Over 200,000 in population) by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA).

Eligible applicants include private non-profit organizations or public bodies that coordinate services for seniors and individuals with disabilities. Applicants must document that they can provide the local match required for all capital and operating costs. Local match funds may be derived from state, local or certain other federal funds. Projects must be included in a locally developed coordinated plan.

Bus and Bus Facilities (5339)

Buses and Bus Facilities program, which makes funding available to states, designated recipients and local governmental entities to replace, rehabilitate, and purchase buses and related equipment and to construct bus-related facilities including technological changes or innovations to modify low- or no- emission vehicles or facilities. Capital awards will be provided from approximately \$4,000,000 in federal funds for eligible 5310 and 5311 applicants based on rating criteria in the two programs.

Applicants wishing to apply for funding via this announcement must register in the grant application software portal on the MDOT website at <http://mdot.ms.gov/gms/default.aspx>. All grant applications for funding must be received in our office on or before 3:00 p.m. on February 8, 2023.

It is the policy of the MDOT and the FTA that no persons or groups shall, on the grounds of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, or disability be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance.

For more information about these programs and the respective application process, please contact Shirley Wilson, Director, Public Transit Division, Mississippi Department of Transportation at P. O. Box 1850, Mail Code 61-01, Jackson, MS 39215-1850 or by telephone at (601) 359-7800, FAX at (601) 359-7777, or by email at swilson@mdot.ms.gov.

The Public Transit Division will host a Virtual 5310, 5311, 5339 Application Workshop via the Zoom Platform on Thursday, December 1, 2022. New Prospective applicants will have an on-site workshop at the MDOT-Administration Bldg., 7th floor Planning Division conference room on November 30, 2022. All attendees are requested to register for the workshop on or before Friday, November 25, 2022. The registration form is located on the MDOT website at https://mdot.ms.gov/portal/intermodal_planning/#c12889. Registration forms may be submitted via email to devans@mdot.ms.gov, faxed or mailed to the above address and number. An emailed link invite will be provided on the week of the workshop to all registrants participating in the zoom meeting. It is important that accurate email addresses are included on the registration form.

Both the virtual and on-site workshops will begin at 9:00 a.m. The workshop will include discussions of each formula grant program as well as the local coordinated planning requirements.

11/10/2022

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A REZONING

ZONING CASE NO. 4191

By virtue of and pursuant to the authority and direction of that Ordinance by the City Council of Jackson, Mississippi, appearing in Minute Book 3G at page 115 thereof, notice is hereby given to all persons interested in or in any way affected thereby, that Capitol Magnolia, LLC has filed with the Planning Board for the City of Jackson, an application requesting a Rezoning from R-4 (Limited Multi-Family) Residential District, C-1 (Restricted) Commercial District and C-2 (Limited) Commercial District to C-3 (General) Commercial District to allow for the development of new apartments or other uses for property located at 1415 Lelia Dr. (Parcel: #542-26), 1417 Lelia Dr. (Parcel: #542-28), 1425 Lelia Dr. (Parcel: #542-32), 1435 Lelia Dr. (Parcel: #542-30), 1445 Lelia Dr (Parcel: ##542-34), 2525 Lakeward Dr. (Parcel: #542-42) and 2510 Lakeland Terrace (Parcel: #542-36) in the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as:

PARCEL 1 (1415/1417, 1425/1435, 1445 Lelia Dr; Parcel #s 542-26, 542-28, 542-30, 542-32, 542-34):

Lots 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17, Lakeland Terrace, a subdivision according to a map or plat thereof which is on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hinds County at Jackson, Mississippi, in Plat Book 10, Page 42, reference to which is hereby made in aid of and as a part of this description.

PARCEL 2 (2510 Lakeland Terrace; Parcel # 542-36):

A parcel of land composed of Lots 18 and 19 and a strip of land 65 feet wide off the West edge of Lot 20 of Lakeland Terrace Subdivision, a subdivision in the City of Jackson, First Judicial District, Hinds County, Mississippi a copy of the record plat of which is in Plat Book 10 at Page 42 (see copy filed in Plat Cabinet B at Slot 114) of the Hinds County Land Records for the First Judicial District; PLUS that portion of the north half of the vacated portion of Lakeside Drive abutting Lots 18 and 19 and the appropriate part of Lot 20, said property being more fully described as follows:

Begin at the NW corner of Lot 18, said point being on the East line of the 50 foot wide right-of-way for Lakeland Terrace and proceed thence:

1. S 01° 01' W along the East line of the right-of-way for Lakeland Terrace for 175.01 feet to a point on the center line of the vacated right-of-way for Lakeside Drive; thence,
2. N 89° 35' E along the center line of the vacated right-of-way for Lakeside Drive for 265.0 feet; thence,
3. N 01° 01' E for 175.01 feet to a point on the north line of Lot 20; thence,
4. S 89° 35' W along the north line of Lots 20, 19, and 18 for 265.0 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING.

PARCEL 3 (2525 Lakeward Dr; Parcel no. 542-42:

Lot 21, and Part of Lot 20, Lakeland Terrace and situated in Sec. 25, T6N, R1E, more particularly described as:

A parcel of land composed of Lot 21 and a strip of land 60 feet wide off the east edge of Lot 20 of Lakeland Terrace Subdivision, a subdivision in the City of Jackson, First Judicial District, Hinds County, Mississippi a copy of the record plat of which is in Plat Book 10 at Page 42 (see copy filed in Plat Cabinet B at Slot 114) of the Hinds County Land Records for the First Judicial District; plus that portion of the north half of the vacated right-of-way for Lakeside Drive abutting Lot 21 and the appropriate part of Lot 20, said property being more fully described as follows: Begin at the NW corner of Lot 18 of Lakeland Terrace Subdivision, said point being on the east line of the right-of-way for Lakeland Terrace and proceed thence:

1. North 89 degrees 35 minutes east along the north line of Lots 18, 19, and part of Lot 20 for 265.0 feet to the NW corner of the subject parcel which is the point of beginning for its description.

Continue Thence:

2. North 89 degrees 35 minutes east along the north line of Lots 20 and 21 for 252.24 feet to the NE corner of Lot 21, said point being on the west line of right-of-way for Lakeward Drive; thence,
3. South 23 degree 14 minutes west along the west line of the right-of-way for Lakeward Drive for 190.99 feet to a point on the center line of the vacated right-of-way for Lakeside Drive; thence,
4. South 89 degrees 35 minutes west along the center line of the vacated right-of-way for Lakeside Drive for 180.00 feet; thence,
5. North 01 degree 01 minute east for 175.01 feet to the Point of Beginning.

PARCEL 4:

Non-exclusive easements and rights appurtenant to and for the benefit of Parcel 3 as created by Temporary Construction and Drainage Pipe Easement Agreement recorded in Book 1719 at Page 1305, for the purposes described in that easement, over, under and across the lands described therein.

Subject to the terms, provisions and conditions set forth in said instrument.

Said application will be heard at the City Planning Board Hearing in the Andrew Jackson Conference Room, First Floor, Warren A. Hood Building, 200 S. President Street in Jackson, Mississippi, at 1:30 p.m., on Wednesday, November 16, 2022, at which time all parties interested in or affected thereby will be heard both pro and con on said question, after which a record will be established upon which the City Planning Board can make its recommendation to the City Council of Jackson. Any objection thereto may be made by any person owning property within the area, and if made in writing must be filed with the City Zoning Administrator before said time if a hearing thereof or consideration thereof is desired, or by counsel on said date. If a request is made to the Zoning Administrator at least 72 hours in advance, the City will take steps to accommodate citizens need for interpreters or auxiliary aids for the visually/hearing impaired.

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/s/Ester L. Ainsworth
Zoning Administrator
City of Jackson, Mississippi

10/27/2022, 11/10/2022

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A REZONING AND USE PERMIT

ZONING CASE NO. 4189

By virtue of and pursuant to the authority and direction of that Ordinance by the City Council of Jackson, Mississippi, appearing in Minute Book 3G at page 115 thereof, notice is hereby given to all persons interested in or in any way affected thereby, that City of Jackson, MS has filed with the Planning Board for the City of Jackson, an application requesting a Rezoning from R-2 (Single-Family & Two-Family) Residential District to R-2A (Single-family) Residential District with a Use Permit to allow for the construction of seven (7) single-family residential units on Parcels 154-23, 154-23-1 and 154-23-2 in the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as:

PARCEL 154-23 (0 DEER PARK STREET)

BEG INT S/L DEERPARK ST & W/L DALTON ST W 123FT S 92 FT E 123 FT N 92 FT TO POB PT BLK 6 HUNTONIA SY.

PARCEL 154-23-1 (0 DEER PARK STREET)

BEG INT S/L DEERPARK ST & W/L DALTON ST W 123 FT TO POB W 152 FT S 92 FT E 152 FT N 92 FT TO POB PT BLK 6 HUNTONIA SY

PARCEL 154-23-2 (0 DEER PARK STREET)

BEG INT S/L DEERPARK ST & W/L DALTON ST W 275 FT TO POB W 136 FT S 92 FT E 136 FT N 92 FT TO POB PT BLK 6 HUNTONIA SY

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A REZONING

ZONING CASE NO. 4190

By virtue of and pursuant to the authority and direction of that Ordinance by the City Council of Jackson, Mississippi, appearing in Minute Book 3G at page 115 thereof, notice is hereby given to all persons interested in or in any way affected thereby, that Geovon Martin has filed with the Planning Board for the City of Jackson, an application requesting a Rezoning from I-1 (Light) Industrial District & I-2 (Heavy) Industrial District to C-3 (General) Commercial District to allow for a personal care home for property located at 911 Palmyra St. (Parcel: #91-41-4) in the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as:

Parcel 1A, Palmyra Street:

Part of Block "H" of Glendale Subdivision in the City of Jackson, Mississippi and being more particularly described by metes and bounds as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at a point on the West line of Palmyra Street (formerly called Sharkey and/or Stone Street) which point is a distance of 325 feet measured Southerly and along the West line of Palmyra Street from the intersection of the West line of Palmyra Street with the South line of Carnes Street as both streets were laid out and improved, November, 1959, in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, from this point of beginning run thence Southerly and along the West line of Palmyra Street for a distance of 75 feet; run thence Westerly and parallel with the South line of Carnes Street for a distance of 200 feet; run thence Northerly and parallel with the West line of Palmyra Street for a distance of 75 feet; run thence Easterly and parallel with the South line of Carnes Street for a distance of 200 feet to the point of beginning.

Being the same tract of land conveyed to Goodwill Industries of Mississippi, Inc. By Deed recorded in Chancery Clerk's office in Jackson, Hinds County, Mississippi, at Book 1188 Page 83.

Parcel 1B, Palmyra Street:

Part of 10.23 Acre Lot Four (4) of Block One (1) Mercerville Addition and a part of Glendale Subdivision in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, and being more particularly described by metes and bounds as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at a point on the West line of Palmyra Street (formerly called Sharkey Street and/or Stone Street) which point is a distance of 200 feet measured Southerly and along the West line of Palmyra Street from the intersection of the West line of Palmyra Street with the South line of Carnes Street, as both were laid out and improved in November, 1959, in the City of Jackson, Mississippi, said, point of beginning also being the Southeast corner of that certain lot or parcel of land conveyed to Wooley Bros., by deed dated June 4, 1959 and recorded in Deed Book 1130 at Page 221 in the office of the Hinds County Chancery Clerk at Jackson, Mississippi, reference to, which, is made in aid hereof; and from this point of beginning run thence Southerly and along the West line of Palmyra Street for a distance of 125 feet; run thence Westerly and parallel with the South line of Carnes Street for a distance of 200 feet; run thence Southerly and parallel with the West line of Palmyra Street for a distance of 75 feet; run thence Westerly and parallel with the South line of Carnes Street for a distance of 255 feet, more or less, to the West line of certain property as described in that conveyance of Anderson to Hobgood, June 17, 1955, as of record in Deed Book 920 at Page 375 in the office of the Rind's County Chancery Clerk at Jackson, Mississippi; run thence Northeasterly and along the West line of said property for a distance of 205 feet, more or less, to the Southwest corner of the aforesaid lot; thence Easterly, parallel with the South line of Carnes Street and along the South line of the aforesaid Wooley Bros. Lot for a distance of 410 feet, more or less, to the point of beginning.

Being the same tract of land conveyed to Goodwill Industries of Mississippi, Inc. By Deed recorded in Hinds County, Mississippi, at Book 1 188 Page 83.

Parcel 2:

Lots 5 and 7, Block "C" of Glendale Subdivision, as recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 88 of the public records of Hinds County, at Jackson, Mississippi: EXCEPTING THEREFROM a triangular shaped parcel of land located in the Southwest Corner of said Lot 7, measuring 10.00 feet along the West Lot Line and 5.00 feet along the South Lot Line.

Said application will be heard at the City Planning Board Hearing in the Andrew Jackson Conference Room, First Floor, Warren A. Hood Building, 200 S. President Street in Jackson, Mississippi, at 1:30 p.m., on Wednesday, November 16, 2022, at which time all parties interested in or affected thereby will be heard both pro and con on said question, after which a record will be established upon which the City Planning Board can make its recommendation to the City Council of Jackson. Any objection thereto may be made by any person owning property within the area, and if made in writing must be filed with the City Zoning Administrator before said time if a hearing thereof or consideration thereof is desired, or by counsel on said date. If a request is made to the Zoning Administrator at least 72 hours in advance, the City will take steps to accommodate citizens need for interpreters or auxiliary aids for the visually/hearing impaired.

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/s/Ester L. Ainsworth
Zoning Administrator
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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR A USE PERMIT

ZONING CASE NO. 4192

By virtue of and pursuant to the authority and direction of that Ordinance by the City Council of Jackson, Mississippi, appearing in Minute Book 3G at page 115 thereof, notice is hereby given to all persons interested in or in any way affected thereby, that Aayodhya, LLC d/b/a Colonial Wine & Spirits has filed with the Planning Board for the City of Jackson, an application requesting a Use Permit within a C-2 (Limited) Commercial District to allow for a liquor store in a neighborhood shopping center and not in combination with a convenience type grocery store or service station on property located at 5070 Parkway Dr. (Parcel: 559-1040). in the First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described as:

Tract 1
Being situated in the Southeast 1/4 of Section 7 and in the Southwest 1/4 of Section 8, all in Township 6 North, Range 2 East, City of Jackson, First Judicial District of Hinds County, Mississippi, and being more particularly described by metes and bounds as follows, to-wit:

Commence at the northwest corner of Lot 1 of Block "A" of Imperial Acres, a subdivision, the map or plat of which is recorded in Plat Book 14 at Page 31 of the Chancery Records of Hinds County at Jackson, Mississippi, said northwest corner being the POINT OF BEGINNING for the parcel herein described; thence North 46 0 21' 02" East for a distance of 72.22 feet along the southeastern right of way line of Old Canton Road; thence leave southeastern right of way line and run North 89 0 28' 02" East for a distance of 119.92 feet; thence North 43 0 32' 53" East for a distance of 79.74 feet; thence North 00 0 31' 58" West for a distance of 67.72 feet; thence South 89 0 28' 02" West for a distance of 45.25 feet to the said southeastern right of way line of Old Canton Road; thence North 45 0 26' 45" East for a distance of 192.52 feet along the said southeastern right of way line; thence South 44 0 20' 58" East for a distance of 8.79 feet along a right of way offset; thence North 45 0 34' 02" East for a distance of 48.30 feet along the said southeastern right of way line; thence leave said southeastern right of way line of Old Canton Road and run South 48 0 40' 58" East for a distance of 125.00 feet; thence North 45 0 34' 02" East for a distance of 125.00 feet to the southwestern right of way line of Parkway Drive; thence South 48 0 40' 58" East for a distance of 151.68 feet along the said southwestern right of way line; thence run 246.94 feet along the arc of a 985.40 foot curve to the left along the said southwestern right of way line, said arc having a 246.29 foot chord which bears South 55 0 51' 58" East; thence South 62 0 52' 58" East for a distance of 99.84 feet along the said southwestern right of way line of Parkway Drive to the northern right of way line of Imperial Drive; thence leave said southwestern right of way line of Parkway Drive and run South 40 0 57' 02" West for a distance of 137.09 feet along the said northern right of way line; thence run 250.58 feet along the arc of a 294.30 foot curve to the right along the said northern right of way line, said arc having a 243.08 foot chord which bears South 65 0 20' 32" West; thence South 89 0 44' 02" West for a distance of 91.89 feet along the said northern right of way line to the southeast corner of Lot 7 of the said Block "A" of Imperial Acres; thence leave said northern right of way line of Imperial Drive and run North 00 0 27' 46" West for a distance of 150.00 feet along the eastern line of the said Lot 7 to the northeast corner thereof; thence South 89 0 32' 14" West for a distance of 545.00 feet along the northern line of the said Block "A" of Imperial Acres to POINT OF BEGINNING, containing 4.9704 acres, more or less.

Tract 2
Ten foot (10') sewer line easement recorded in Book 5706 at Page 782 in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hinds County, at Jackson, Mississippi.

Said application will be heard at the City Planning Board Hearing in the Andrew Jackson Conference Room, First Floor, Warren A. Hood Building, 200 S. President Street in Jackson, Mississippi, at 1:30 p.m., on Wednesday, November 16, 2022, at which time all parties interested in or affected thereby will be heard both pro and con on said question, after which a record will be established upon which the City Planning Board can make its recommendation to the City Council of Jackson. Any objection thereto may be made by any person owning property within the area, and if made in writing must be filed with the City Zoning Administrator before said time if a hearing thereof or consideration thereof is desired, or by counsel on said date. If a request is made to the Zoning Administrator at least 72 hours in advance, the City will take steps to accommodate citizens need for interpreters or auxiliary aids for the visually/hearing impaired.

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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HINDS COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
BARNEY J. MOFFETT, DECEASED

CAUSE NO.: P2021-253 M4

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters of Administration having been granted on the 20th day of September, 2021 by the Chancery Court of Hinds County, Mississippi to the undersigned Administratrix of the Estate of Barney J. Moffett, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against the estate to present the same to the Clerk of this Court for probate and registration according to law, within ninety (90) days from the first publication of this notice, or they will be forever barred.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this the 19th day of October, 2022

JACKIE MOFFETT, ADMINISTRATRIX OF
THE ESTATE OF BARNEY J. MOFFETT,
DECEASED

Jackie Moffett

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/s/Ester L. Ainsworth
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City of Jackson, Mississippi

11/10/2022



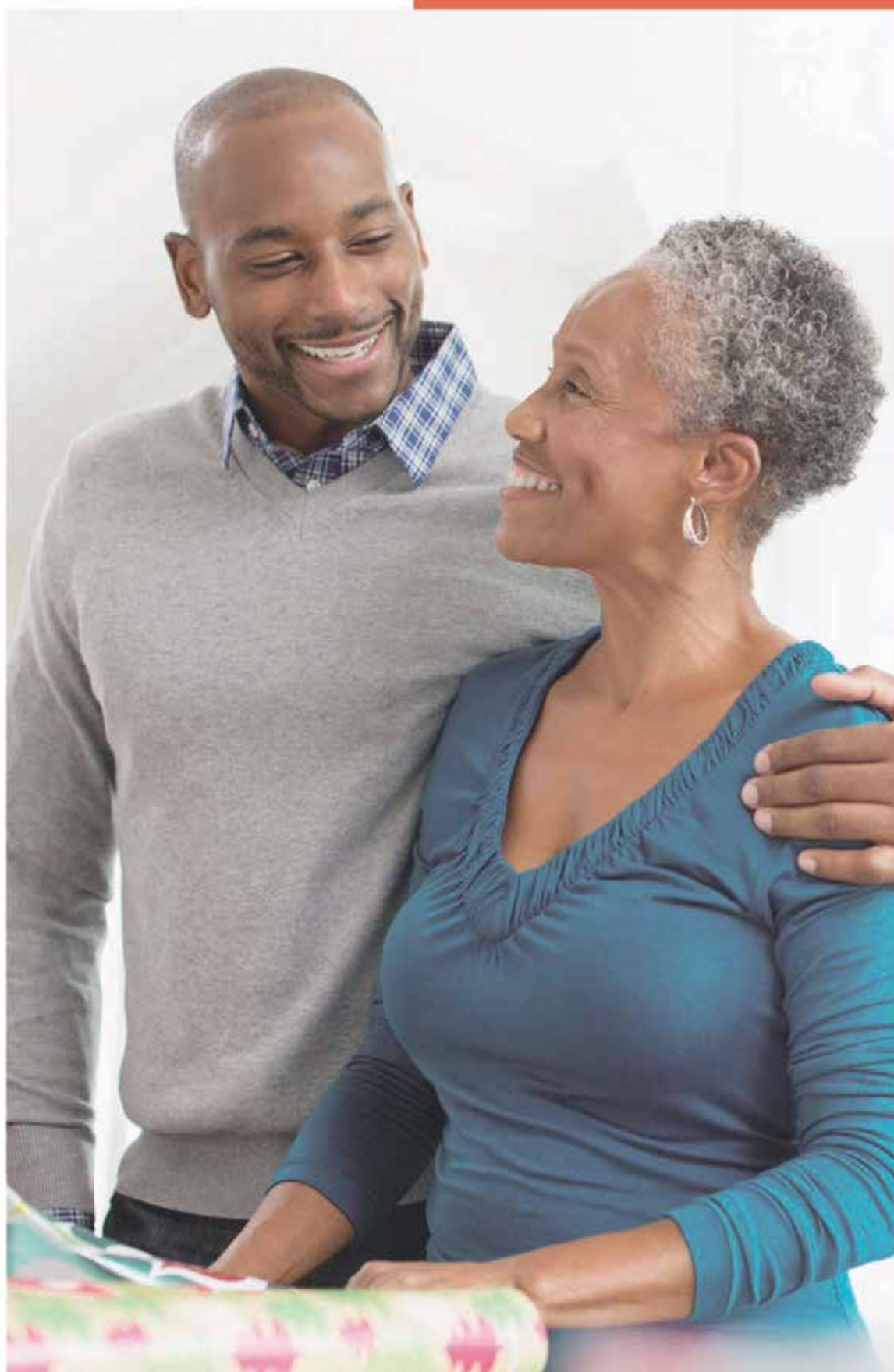
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Hinds County School District Weekly Update

ENGAGING-EMPOWERING-ENSURING-EXCELLENCE

The Hinds County Public School District improved to a Level B accountability rating for 2021-2022 school year. The Hinds County School Board and Superintendent Delesicia Martin wanted to show gratitude and appreciation to the principals, assistant principals and district officials for a job well done. Each principal that improved or maintained their level of accountability status was given an appreciation award. Congratulations to our administrators.



School Board, superintendent and principals



School Board, superintendent and district officials



School Board, superintendent and assistant principals



Lashurn Williams, principal, Bolton/Edwards K-8



Daphnee Moore, principal, Carver Middle School



Janetha Lampkin, principal, Gary Road Elementary



Dr. Arthur Jones, principal, Gary Road Intermediate



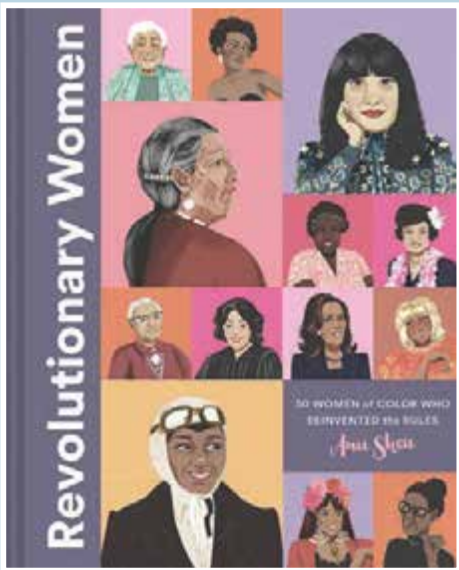
Lorenzo Grims, principal, Raymond High School



Matthew Scott, principal, Terry High School



Dr. Clancy Freeman, assistant principal, Utica K-8



BOOK REVIEW:

REVOLUTIONARY WOMEN:

50 WOMEN OF COLOR WHO REINVENTED THE RULES

BY ANN SHEN

C.2022, CHRONICLE BOOKS

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By Terri Schlichenmeyer
Columnist

Change is a-coming. You can feel it. You know it’s happening because you’re a catalyst, you’re one of the ones helping to make it. Change is a-coming, and it’s everywhere you look: at home, in your neighborhood, in your entire country and, as you’ll see in the new book “Revolutionary Women” by Ann Shen, it’s coming from history, too.

Take a look at the shelves of your library or favorite bookstore, and you’ll see lots of books written about women.

But Ann Shen says she “wanted to write a book that features something close to my heart...” She hoped to write about “the lives and work of BIPOC women...” because, she says, those women are “historically under-represented.”

Take, for instance, the actress-singer Eartha Kitt. She was born “dirt-poor” and it seemed that no one in her family wanted her. No matter; Kitt grew up to have a fantastic career on-stage, she was an activist, “she learned to speak four languages and could sing in eleven.”

Seven years ago, Misty Copeland was tapped as the first black woman to achieve the position of principal dancer at the American Ballet Theatre. Before her, Maria Tallchief was America’s first Prima Ballerina and the first indigenous woman to achieve that honor.

Tracey Norman had an amazing career in fashion until she “was outed as a trans woman by a hairdresser...” She didn’t let that stop her; today, she’s the “mother” of the House of Africa, a team that competes at New York’s drag balls.

Speaking of dance, Rita

Moreno is one of three people ever to reach a coveted PEGOT: a Peabody, an Emmy, a Grammy, an Oscar and a Tony award.

At twenty-nine, Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez was the youngest woman to enter the U.S. Congress. Shirley Chisholm was the first black woman and the first female candidate to run for the office of President in 1972. Joyce Chen was America’s first celebrity chef of Chinese-American descent. Bessie Stringfield was “the Motorcycle Queen of Miami” and Celia Cruz was “the Queen of Salsa.”

Sometimes – especially this

time of year, when your schedule becomes extraordinarily packed – all you want is something quick to pick up, read, and browse. “Revolutionary Women” is exactly that.

Each page of author Ann Shen’s diverse selection offers readers a brief biography of a woman of history and influence and a short but fact-filled narrative of that woman’s life and achievements, making this book perfect for time-crunched readers.

Some of the entries will be familiar – Shen mostly honors audacious women who lived in

the last 125 years – although some of the bios may serve as an introduction to a life. The fun of this book draws from the little-known info within those biographies; they’re heavy on current events and politics, without ignoring science and the arts.

Dip into this illustrated book, learn about the trailblazers you didn’t know and reacquaint yourself with those you did.


While “Revolutionary Women” is good for older teens and young adults, older readers might find it to be a nice change.

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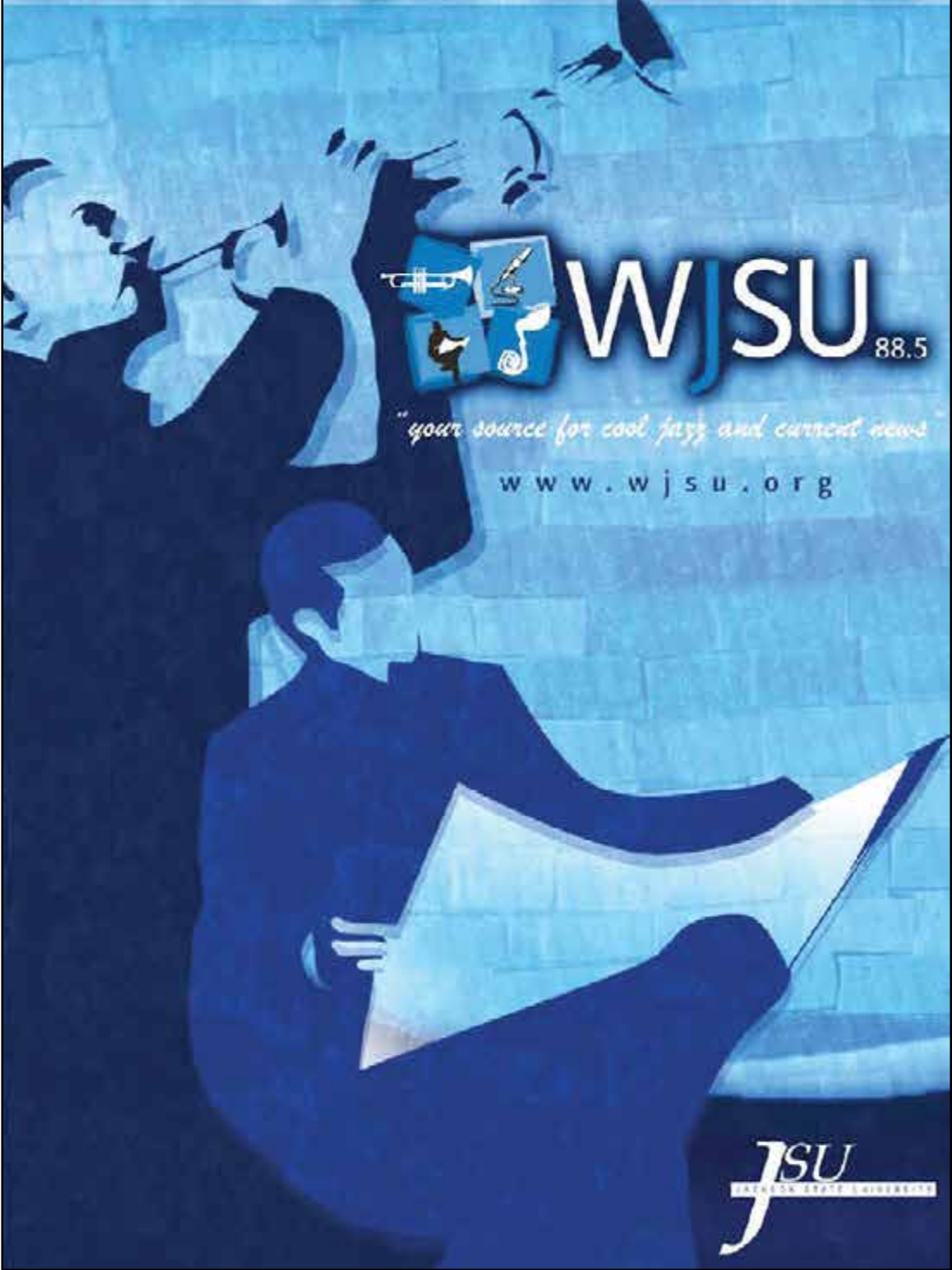
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Alcorn and Jackson State clash, arch rivals battle for 2022 trophy

By Dr. Jerry Komia Domatob
Contributing Writer

This is that crucial time of year when rivalry between sports squads, especially football and athletics, attain their peak.

It is that impactful moment of sports and football history, which make or mar. Yes, it is championship period which focuses on the good, better, best, or bad, worse and worst. Small wonder the avowed contestants rabidly vie for the championships.

For most American universities and colleges, this is the hour of sports paramouncy which raise hopes dreams, successes, failures, gains and even pains.

So, what is the standing and status of arch rivals Alcorn ASU (Braves) and Jackson JSU Tigers)? Who deserves the coveted trophy this year 2022?

Last year, 2021, Jackson State University Tigers won (SWAC) under the leadership of the colorful coach Deion Sanders. Prior to that, Alcorn Braves with coach Fred McNair's leadership, captured the trophy for six consecutive years. They dwarfed opponents with impunity.

Squads big, small, strong, weak, winning or losing, approach this "competition and even money games" with a completely different mind frame.

The arch contestants come to the field with a resilient drive for victory. While some folks tackle the game with the ambition to avenge, others simply enter the field with the unbending determination to vanquish opponents. Fans on both sides grandly cheer their teams with enthusiasm and excitement.

It is in this mental, psychological, social, historical, cultural and unbending resolve that Alcorn and Jackson State Universities approach each other as they do every year with vigor and aggression.

Both teams, Alcorn State University (Braves) and its rival Jackson State University (Tigers), will thus play their hearts and minds out to earn this game. The odds are that one team will capture the trophy. Who will grab that honor? The answer is straight: the better side.

The teams currently train under the tutelage of experienced, knowledgeable, dynamic and talented coaches.

Deion Sanders, Jackson State University's head coach, is a retired American football legend.

Alcorn State works under the auspices of Fred McNair, a seasoned, gifted and splendid trainer. Both coaches tower among the best in the entire globe.

These coaches have left indelible marks on the sands of college and indeed American football. They deserve kudos. Both coaches are avowed professionals with admirable records.

A game is always a gamble.



Fred McNair head football coach, ASU



Ms Alcorn & Court ready to cheer for their team



Alcorn fans anticipating victory PHOTOS BY JERRY K. DOMATOB



McNair



It can swing in any direction. Its rules indicate that one party emerges triumphant. Though Jackson seems to have an edge, especially in a highly charged rivalry game like this, one can capture the victory. Whatever the case, good luck to both teams. To the victor – the spoils.

The Alcorn Braves will meet the Jackson State Tigers in the last game of the season in the Jack Spinks Stadium in Lorman, Mississippi, Saturday, November 19, 2022.

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Alcorn Mass Comm professors (L-R) Larry Sanders, Judge Terrett and Jerry Komia Domatob



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